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Quite a few dearly missed characters appear in this volume. I had to keep checking past volumes while drawing them because I'd forgotten some of their specs, which ended up taking way too long. Argh!!

*—Masashi Kishimoto, 2011*

Author/artist Masashi Kishimoto was born in 1974 in rural Okayama Prefecture, Japan. After spending time in art college, he won the Hop Step Award for new manga artists with his manga **Karakuri** (Mechanism). Kishimoto decided to base his next story on traditional Japanese culture. His first version of **Naruto**, drawn in 1997, was a one-shot story about fox spirits; his final version, which debuted in **Weekly Shonen Jump** in 1999, quickly became the most popular ninja manga in Japan.

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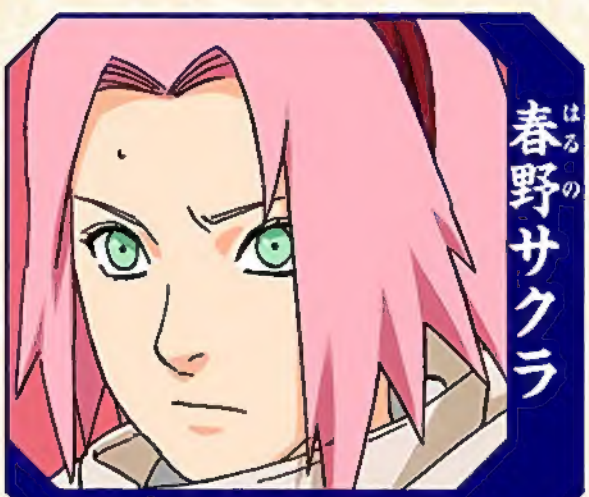
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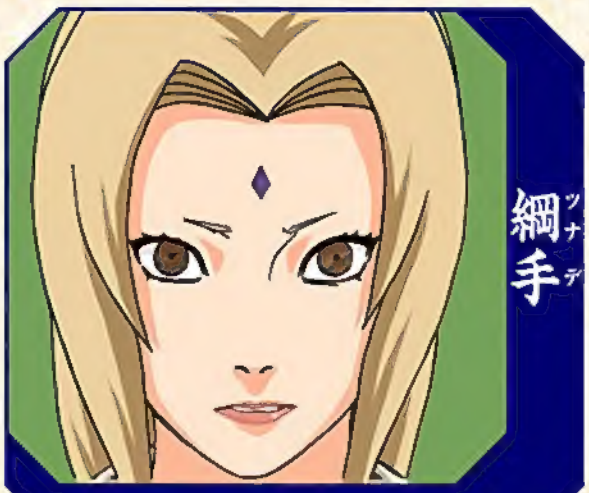
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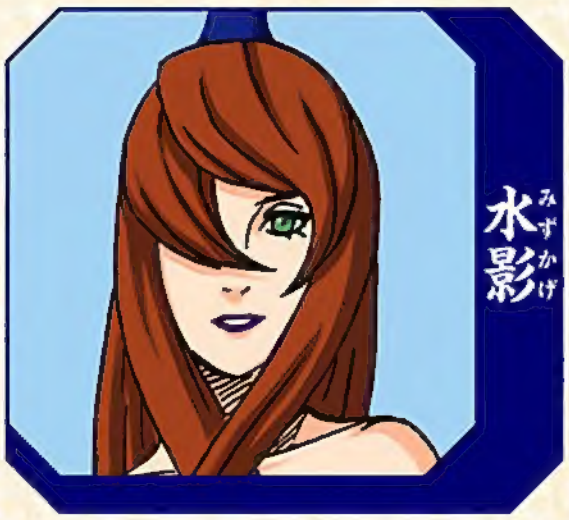

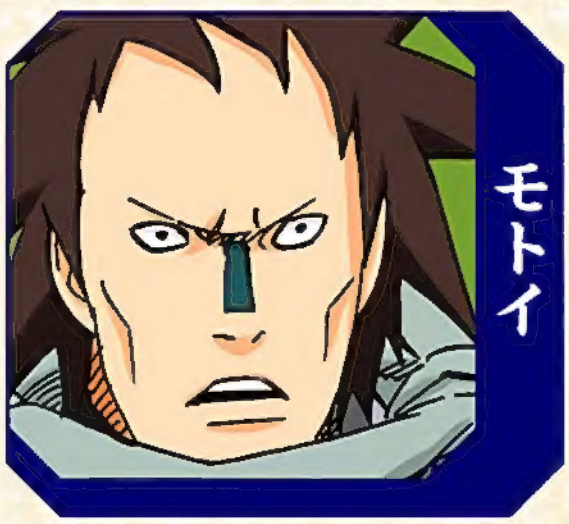

## THE STORY SO FAR...

Naruto, the biggest troublemaker at the Ninja Academy in the Village of Konohagakure, finally becomes a ninja along with his classmates Sasuke and Sakura. They grow and mature through countless trials and battles. However, Sasuke, unable to give up his quest for vengeance, leaves Konohagakure to seek Orochimaru and his power…

Two years pass. Naruto grows up and engages in fierce battles against the Tailed Beast-targeting Akatsuki. Elsewhere, after winning the heroic battle against Itachi and learning his older brother's true intentions, Sasuke allies with the Akatsuki and sets out to destroy Konoha.

Upon Madara's declaration of war, an Allied Shinobi Force is formed. As tensions rise in both camps, the Akatsuki pinpoint Naruto's location. Madara directs Kabuto to capture Nine Tails. Yamato heads out to intercept Kabuto and protect Naruto, but is captured instead!

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I HAD NO IDEA THAT HE COULD DO THIS!

UNBELIEV-ABLE!

ナンバー
# 515: 大戦、開戦！
THE GREAT WAR BEGINS!

ゴゴゴゴゴゴ…

LORD TSUCHIKAGE JUST TRANSPORTED THE ENTIRE ISLAND, WITH US ON IT!

MAYBE WE SHOULD GO BY SEA. WHY ARE WE FLYING, ANYWAY?

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?

GAH, MY BACK'S GONNA GO OUT AGAIN!

SHUT UP, YOU FOOL! DO YOU WANT THAT GIANT SNAKE TO SNIFF US OUT AGAIN, AKATSUCHI?

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WHAT IS UP WITH THIS ISLAND?

THE WORLD FLIPPED OVER AGAIN.

...

HE BETTER NOT HAVE BEEN HURT IN THE EARTH-QUAKE!

AND WHERE'S CAPTAIN YAMATO?

...

I WANT TO GO HOME TO KONOHA AND WAIT FOR SASUKE!

BUT I'VE FINISHED THE MISSION!

!

HE'S STILL INVESTIGATING. DON'T YOU WORRY.

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I MADE AN OATH!

THE NEXT TIME YOU USE YOUR EYES, THE WORLD WILL BE NEW. I, FOR ONE, CANNOT WAIT!!

NO... BE PATIENT.

NOT YET?

THE WHITE SNAKE HAS KABUTO'S CHAKRA SIGNATURE. THIS **IS** THEIR HQ!

I HAD MY GRUBS EXPLORE THE VICINITY! THEY INDICATE SIGNIFICANT SIGNS OF LIFE BELOW-GROUND.

LOOK BELOW, TOKUMA!! FOUR O'CLOCK! YOU HAVE THE SHARPEST BYAKUGAN OF ALL HYUGA. YOU SHOULD BE ABLE TO SEE THEM!!

YOU'RE KIDDING, RIGHT?!

ZWW.

ZWW.

ZWW.

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!!!

WHAT IS IT?!

WH-WHOA... SO MANY...!

IMPATIENT NARUTO, COOL IT ♪ RUSH TOO MUCH, AND YOU'LL RUE IT ♪

YOU STILL HAVEN'T MASTERED BIJU CHAKRA CONTROL ♪ SO YOUR TRAINING I SHALL PERSONALLY PATROL ♪

HOW COME THE ANIMALS CAN GO OUTSIDE BUT NOT ME?!!

ズズズ...

NOT TO BE MISTAKEN FOR WHAT'S ACTUAL OR TRUE ♪

WHEN WE FINISH THESE DRILLS, BIJU CHAKRA WILL FEEL LIKE AN EXTENSION OF YOU ♪

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!?

WAP

CATCH 'EM WITH BIJU CHAKRA ♪

WAP

AND MAKE 'EM BALANCE USING BIJU AND YOUR OWN CHAKRA ♪

THEN STACK 'EM LIKE BUILDING BLOCKS, YA ♪

NICE, BEE!

YOUR TURN ♪

DONK

TNK

TNK

TNK

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WHOA!!

USING NINE TAILS CHAKRA, RIGHT?!!

YUP!

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ALL RIGHT! HERE I GO!

I NEED TO STACK THOSE BLOCKS SO THAT THEY DON'T FALL OVER... IC

!!?

HE DESTROYED THE ROCK... IT'S HARD FOR HIM TO EVEN GRASP?

GAH! ONE MORE TIME!!

YOU MAY HAVE SOME CONTROL, BUT IT NEEDS TO BE FINE-TUNED, CHILD ♪

...

NO, NO, TOO WILD ♪

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OKAY ...!

EASY, EASY...

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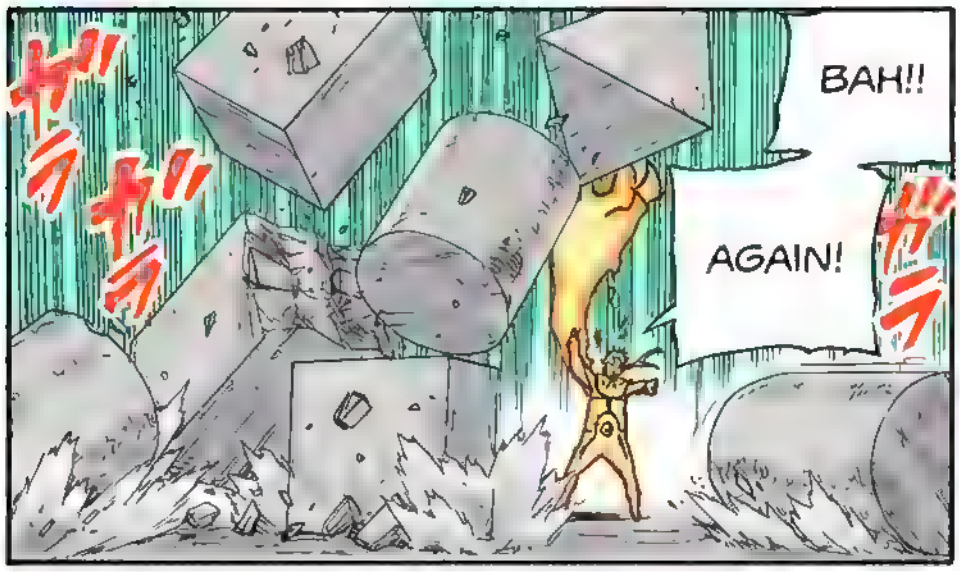


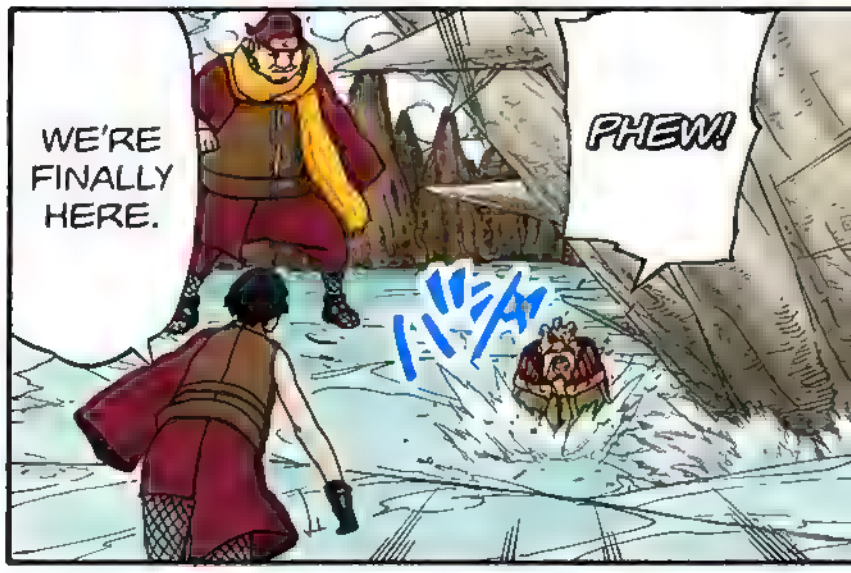


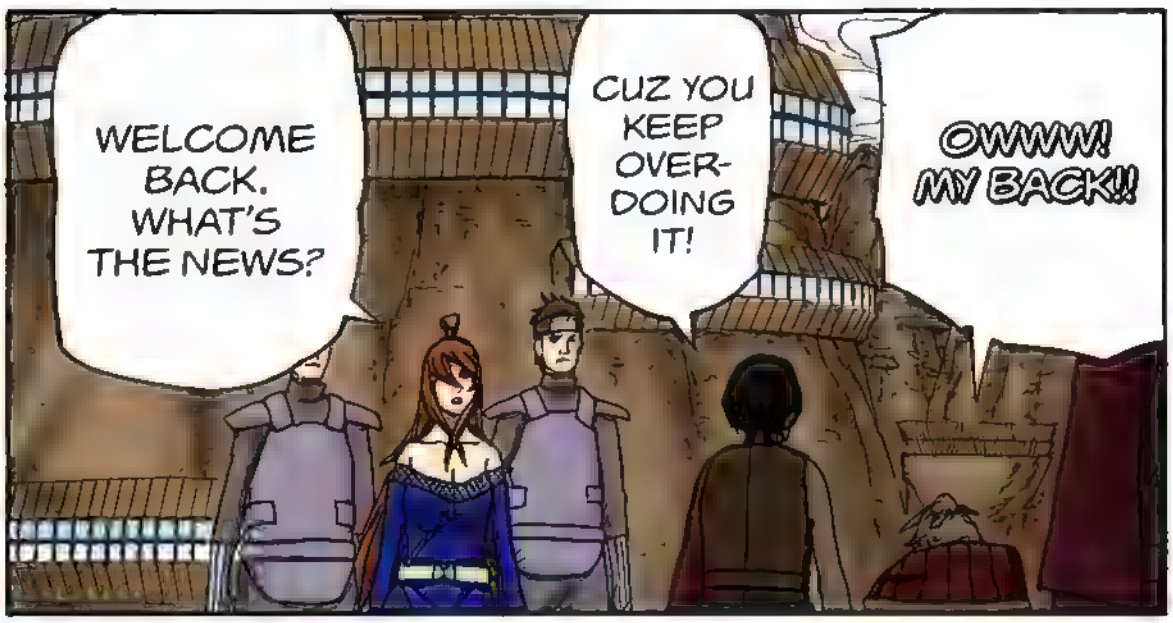

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OH, BUT... THE FIRST PRIORITY IS EXTRACTING INTEL FROM YAMATO HERE.

THEN... THE ENEMY HAS EVEN MORE INTEL ON US...!!

LET'S GET GOING... I'LL EXPLAIN MORE INSIDE!

HOWEVER, THE MOKUTON USER WHO WAS NINE TAILS' GUARDIAN HAS BEEN CAPTURED.

BOTH EIGHT TAILS AND NINE TAILS ARE SAFE.

IT WOULD BE EASY TO EXTRACT INTEL IF I USE THE RINNE NINGENDO'S JUTSU... BUT HE **WOULD** DIE...

SO IT'S BETTER TO KEEP HIM ALIVE TO MAKE ZETSU STRONGER?

YES...

JUST DON'T KILL HIM, OKAY?

IF YOU WANT TO MAKE THE ZETSU STRONGER.

DON'T WORRY, I WON'T USE IT ON THE ZETSU.

IT'S A DRUG I DEVELOPED TO INHIBIT HASHIRAMA'S POWER...

KABUTO SURE HAS STUDIED FIRST HOKAGE HASHIRAMA'S CELLS THOROUGHLY.

...VENOM, HUH... SO THAT'S HOW HE'S SUPPRESSING THE MOKUTON'S POWER.

木遁の力を

の細胞を

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AT THIS RATE... BAH! FORGIVE ME, EVERY-ONE...!!

GAH!! I CAN'T EVEN PUT MY OWN DECISION INTO ACTION, LIKE THIS...!!

HE REALLY LOOKED INTO MY SCOPE AND PLANS, DIDN'T HE OROCHIMARU...

AND ONCE WE KNOW WHO WE'RE FACING, I CAN SELECT THEIR WORST ENEMY TO SEND OUT AGAINST THEM.

EVEN WITHOUT USING THE RINNEGAN'S POWER, WE CAN EXTRACT ENOUGH INTEL WITH THE DOUBLE WHAMMY OF MY TRUTH SERUM PLUS YOUR SHARINGAN.

THAT'S KONOHA'S!

!!

WE GOT NEW INTEL!!

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ドサッ

岩 IWA/STONE

ADVISE BOTH NATIONS TO EVACUATE!

敵アジト ENEMY HIDEOUT

TURTLE ISLAND

亀 島

雲 KUMO/CLOUD

THE X MARKS THE ENEMY'S HIDEOUT... IT'S IN THE MOUNTAIN GRAVEYARD!

滝 TAKI/ WATER-FALL

音 OTO/SOUND

湯 YU/ STEAM

霜 SHIMO/FROST

石 ISHI/ROCK

忍連合本部 ALLIED SHINOBI HQ

IF THEY GO BY LAND, THEY'LL BE PASSING THROUGH YUGAKURE AND SHIMOGAKURE.

砂 SUNA/SAND

木ノ葉 KONOHA/LEAF

谷 TANI/ VALLEY

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WHICH MEANS THE VICTOR SHALL BE DECIDED BY WHOEVER MAKES THE FIRST MOVE!

ACCORDING TO THE INFILTRATION & RECON UNIT, THE ENEMY NUMBERS AROUND 100,000...

CONSIDERING THE MOVEMENT OF SUCH A LARGE REGIMENT, ONLY A SMALL NUMBER WILL LIKELY TAKE THE SEA ROUTE, BUT WE'LL BE IN A BIND IF WE ARE SURROUNDED.

SHIKAKU, HELP THE INTEL UNIT CHECK THEIR CHAIN OF COMMUNICATION!

IN ADDITION, MAKE SURE THE LOGISTICS & MEDICAL UNIT IS WELL SUPPLIED WITH MEDICAL NINJA TOOLS!

THEN HAVE THE MAIN BATTLE REGIMENT DIVIDED INTO COMPANIES AS WELL, AND HAVE THEM RUN THROUGH THEIR FORMATIONS!!

CONVENE THE COMMANDO UNIT IMMEDIATELY!

YES, SIR!!

AAH! THEY'RE READY ALREADY?!

HERE'S YOURS.

THESE WERE COMPLETED WHILE YOU WERE AWAY, TSUCHIKAGE.

Y-YES, MA'AM!

CONTACT AO AND THE SENSORY UNIT! HAVE THEM HURRY, TOO!

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I DESIGNED THEM... YOU MAY HAVE SQUABBLED IN THE PAST, BUT RIGHT NOW YOU ARE ONE.

SIMPLY "SHINOBI"!

HO... SO THESE WILL BE OUR ALLIED FORCE HEAD-BANDS, EH? NICE JOB!

NOW LET US GET TO WORK!!

AND THIS TIME, SAMURAI SHALL TEAM UP WITH SHINOBI!

...WILL WE BE OKAY WITH SUCH A YOUNG GUY AS CAPTAIN...? WHAT IF... WHAT IF...

KANKURO, EH.. WHAT SHALL WE USE FOR YOUR NICKNAME...?

HUH?!

I AM KANKURO OF THE SAND, AND I'VE BEEN ASSIGNED COMMANDO UNIT CAPTAIN.

COMMANDO UNIT CAPTAIN KANKURO

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BY THE WAY, THIS CHILD IS NOT FOR EATING!

NICE TO MEET YOU ALL!

I HAVE BEEN ORDERED TO LEAD THIS UNIT. MY NAME IS SHIZUNE!

LOGISTICS & MEDICAL UNIT CAPTAIN
SHIZUNE

I'VE HEARD SO MUCH ABOUT YOU!

YOU'RE INOICHI?! I'M TENGA!

YES, SIR...

YOU DID YOUR BEST, AOBA.

INTEL UNIT CAPTAIN
YAMANAKA INOICHI

THIS YOUR FIRST WAR?

YES...

SIGH... WAR, EH.

OUR UNIT'S PERFORMANCE CAN GREATLY CHANGE THE FLOW OF BATTLE. DON'T LET YOUR GUARD DOWN!

SENSORY UNIT CAPTAIN
AO

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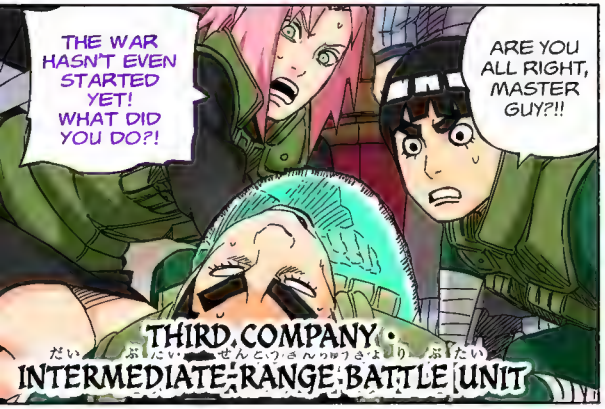
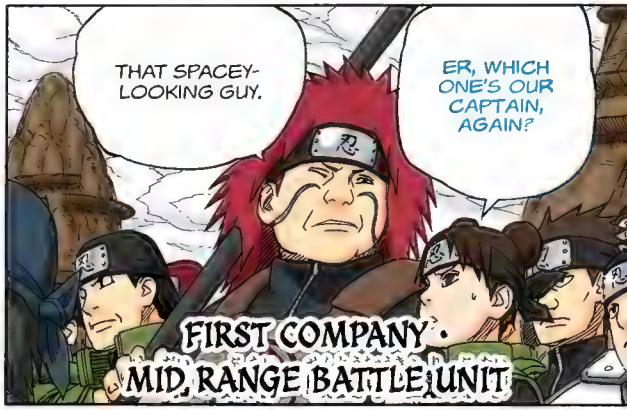
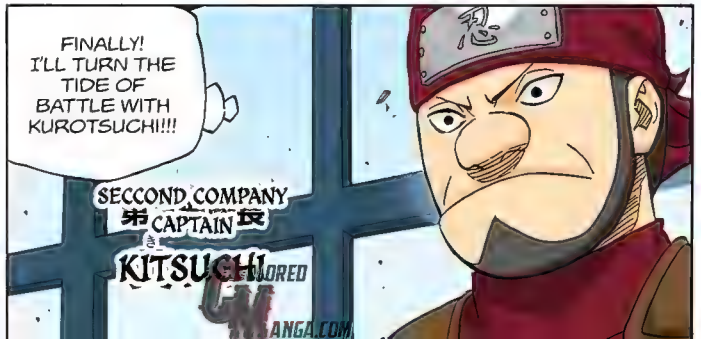
A FEW WORDS, PLEASE, ONCE THEY SETTLE DOWN.
NOW THEN... GAARA, YOU'RE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF THIS, THE MAIN BATTLE REGIMENT...
MAIN BATTLE REGIMENT COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF
GAARA


THE WAR HASN'T EVEN STARTED YET! WHAT DID YOU DO?!
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, MASTER GUY?!!
THIRD COMPANY
INTERMEDIATE-RANGE BATTLE UNIT

SECOND COMPANY
CLOSE-RANGE BATTLE UNIT
HUMPH, IT'S JUST WAR. NO WORRIES, NO WORRIES!
I'M SCARED.
YUP! WHAT, MY DA'S CAPTAIN?!


THAT SPACEY-LOOKING GUY.
ER, WHICH ONE'S OUR CAPTAIN, AGAIN?
FIRST COMPANY
MID-RANGE BATTLE UNIT

THIRD COMPANY
第 CAPTAIN 長
はたKAKASHIリシ


FINALLY! I'LL TURN THE TIDE OF BATTLE WITH KUROTSUCHI!!!
SECCOND COMPANY
弟 CAPTAIN 長
KITSUCHI

FIRST COMPANY
弟 CAPTAIN 長
DARUI

COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF
連隊PLUS!
第四部隊隊長
FOURTH COMPANY
CAPTAIN
我愛羅
GAARA
愛
...
SO YOU MAY BE DEPUTY CAPTAIN, BUT YOU'RE ESSENTIALLY FOURTH COMPANY CAPTAIN, ALL RIGHT?!
GAARA IS FOURTH COMPANY CAPTAIN, BUT HE'S ALSO OUR COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.
GOTTA EAT WHILE I STILL CAN!!
WHAT A BOTHERSOME ASSIGNMENT... GAH.
第四部隊・長距離戦闘部隊
FOURTH COMPANY・LONG-RANGE BATTLE UNIT
FIFTH COMPANY
CAPTAIN
カカシ
KAKASHI
YOU OUGHT TO BE FINE, SHINO...
MUST AVOID FLASHY BEHAVIOR.
FOOL... DON'T YOU MAKE LIGHT OF WAR!
I'M GONNA MAKE A NAME FOR MYSELF IN THIS WAR AND QUALIFY TO BECOME HOKAGE!
第五部隊・特別戦闘部隊
FIFTH COMPANY・SPECIAL BATTLE UNIT
FIRST WE HAVE...
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...FORMER AKATSUKI MEMBERS...

...THEN FORMER JINCHÛRIKI.

AND FINALLY...

IN ADDITION, PREVIOUS GOKAGE TITLE HOLDERS...

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...A COLLECTION OF OTHER EXCEPTIONAL SHINOBI.
LET'S GO... THE WAR BEGINS!!
ぐぐぐ...

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IT'S TOO DANGEROUS TO STAY HERE ON YOUR OWN!

JUST SHUT UP AND GO!!

YOU ALL GO BACK AND REPORT THIS TO THE MAIN FORCES IMMEDIATELY!

I'LL STAY BEHIND AND INVESTIGATE THE HIDEOUT!

!

A LOT OF THEM!

THEY'RE ON THE MOVE!

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MASTER ZABUZA...

YES, THIS DOESN'T APPEAR TO BE THE NEXT PLANE.

MY MIND IS CRYSTAL CLEAR BUT MY BODY IS MOVING ON ITS OWN.

IT'S THE EDO TENSEI, A FORBIDDEN JUTSU.

WE'VE BEEN SUMMONED BACK TO THE CORPORAL PLANE.

AND NOW WE WILL BE MADE TO FIGHT.

SOMEONE WHO'LL EVEN USE THE DEAD EH?

I DO NOT CARE TO BE USED BY ANY SUCH PERSON.

SSSZZZ...

YOU WILL BE OUR SHOCK UNIT, THE DIVERSION PLATOON.

GO BY AIR!

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WHERE AM I?

CHUKICHI OF THE MIST AND YOU, FOUNDATION NINJA FROM KONOHA, YOUR JOB IS SENSORY, INTEL AND SUPPORT.

!

SASORI AND DEIDARA, YOU ATTACK WITH EXPLODING TRAPS.

ZAP

!!

IF YOU THINK YOU CAN MAKE US DO YOUR BIDDING...

YOU'RE AKATSUKI, AREN'T YOU?

SHUP

FHS

WHU

MP

...

DO YOU WANT TO BE KILLED DEIDARA?!

YOU HAD IT COMING YOU KNOW, EXPOSING SUCH A WEAK SPOT ON YOUR CHEST... HMMM?!

YOU'RE MIGHTY BRASH FOR A DEADMAN, SIR. AND YOU USED TO INSIST THAT ETERNAL BEAUTY IS ART... HMMM?!

I'M TELLING YOU, WE'RE ALREADY DEAD, BOTH OF US... HMMM?!

AND ONLY ZETSU AND MY REPLACEMENT TOBI ARE STILL AROUND.

THE AKATSUKI HAS FALLEN SO FAR SO FAST, TO BE MANIPULATED BY SUCH A LIMP, SPINDLY...

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ALTHOUGH IN SOME CASES, THEY COULD AGITATE THE ENEMY EVEN MORE...

I'LL ERASE THEIR PERSONALITIES AND THEY'LL TURN INTO PURE KILLING MACHINES IN BATTLE. DON'T WORRY.

...IF THEY KEEP THEIR ANNOYING PERSONALITIES, THAT COULD WORK TO OUR ADVANTAGE.

IT IS A BIT DIFFICULT TO CONTOL SO MANY REANIMATED SHINOBI.

WHICH IS WHY I'M JUST FOCUSING ON GETTING THEM INTO PLACE RIGHT NOW.

ONCE THERE, I'M IN TOTAL CONTROL.

ARE YOU SURE THIS IS GOING TO WORK?

SHUP

YES, WE ARE UNITED IN DEATH, YOU AND I.

THIS IS A FORBIDDEN JUTSU WHERE SOULS OF THE DEAD ARE SUMMONED TO INHABIT THE BODIES OF LIVING SACRIFICES.

MASTER DAN?!

SHOOM

IV'E GOT A BAD FEELING ABOUT THIS...

...

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

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THE 100,000 WHITE ZETSU WILL TRAVEL UNDERGROUND.

THAT'LL KEEP THEM HIDDEN LONG ENOUGH.

HEH.

ZETSU WILL STAY BEHIND AS SASUKE'S GUARDIAN.

OTHERWISE I'VE GOT NO GUARANTEE YOU WON'T TRY TO WHISK HIM AWAY WHILE I'M DISTRACTED BY THE WAR

YOU'RE NOT TAKING TWO-TONED ZETSU.

ZWWW...

ZWWW...

ZW...

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FLAP
FLAP
MULTIPLE STRIKING SHADOW SNAKESS!!
MUTA, LANKA! KEEP RUNNING!
I'LL STOP THEM HERE!
WHAT?
SCREECH
!!
IT'S JUST AS KABUTO SAID. THREE OF 'EM. TOWARDS TWO O'CLOCK.
...O...VER... THERE...

愛

...

CHATTER

CHATTER

忍

AND I DON'T TRUST YOU, SO WATCH YOUR MOUTH!

HUMPH! HOW WOULD I KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT HIM?! WE'VE BARELY BEEN ON THE SAME SIDE FOR A MINUTE!

DON'T DISPARAGE WHAT YOU KNOW NOTHING ABOUT!

LORD GAARA IS NOT YOUR AVERAGE YOUNG MAN!

WILL WE BE ALRIGHT WITH SUCH A YOUNG COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF...?

YOU SAND SHINOBI KILLED MY FATHER! I'LL AVENGE HIM BY KILLING YOU!!

WHAT?! YOU WANNA FIGHT?!

HEY! STOP!

IT CAN'T BE HELPED. ENEMIES AREN'T GOING TO JOIN UP AND FIGHT ON THE SAME SIDE OVER-NIGHT WITHOUT SOME PROBLEMS.

ESPECIALLY STONE AND SAND.

NO ONE TRUSTS EACH OTHER.

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UGH!

ZWISH

!!

!

SIGH...

!!

SHOO..

THAT HATRED DESIRED POWER AND I WAS BORN.

IN THE NAME OF GAIN AND PROFIT FOR ONE'S NATION AND VILLAGE...

...SHINOBI HAVE HATED AND HURT EACH OTHER FOR MANY YEARS, FROM THE FIRST TO THE THIRD GREAT WARS.

IN THE PAST, I WAS HATRED AND POWER, AND A JINCHURIKI.

...

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I HATED THIS WORLD AND ALL PEOPLE. I OFTEN THOUGHT ABOUT DESTROYING BOTH.

IN SOME WAYS, I WAS NO DIFFERENT THAN THE AKATSUKI IN MY PLANS.

BUT ONE KONOHA SHINOBI STOPPED ME.

...

YOU HAD US WORRIED...!

... THE WAY YOU FEEL... I DUNNO WHY BUT I UNDERSTAND IT SO WELL ...THE HURT...

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THUMP FSH

HE SAVED ME!!

THERE CAN BE NO BAD BLOOD BETWEEN THOSE WHO HAVE EXPERIENCED THE SAME PAIN!

WE WERE ON DIFFERENT SIDES, BUT WE WERE BOTH JINCHURIKI.

HE CALLED ME FRIEND EVEN THOUGH WE HAD DONE BATTLE!!

THAT SHINOBI CRIED FOR ME, HIS ENEMY!!

FOR WE ALL BEAR THE PAIN OF HAVING BEEN HURT BY THE AKATSUKI!

THERE ARE NO ENEMIES HERE IN FRONT OF ME!!

THERE IS NO SAND, NO STONE, NO LEAF, NO MIST OR CLOUD!!

THERE IS ONLY SHINOBI!!

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...

IF YOU STILL CAN'T FORGIVE SAND...

...YOU CAN COME BACK AND FACE ME WHEN THIS WAR IS OVER!!

THE TIDE HAS TURNED.

...LEND ME YOUR STRENGTH!!!

I AM TOO YOUNG! TOO INEXPERIENCED! SO PLEASE...

IF HE FALLS INTO THEIR HANDS, THIS WORLD AS WE KNOW IT IS FINISHED!!

THAT FRIEND WHO SAVED ME IS NOW A TARGET OF THE ENEMY!!!

I WANT TO PROTECT THAT FRIEND, AND THIS WORLD!!

RAAAA

...YES...

APOLOGIES.

...APOLO-GIES...

WHOO !!

RAAAAAH

OF COURSE, LORD GAARA!!

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RAAAH

ALL WHO FEEL AS I DO, FOLLOW ME!!!

RAAAH

NOT TOO BAD, GAARA!

LORD GAARA...!

RAAAAAAAAAAAAAH

NICELY DONE.

RRRR

RRR

YEAH!!

I DID IT!

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BZP

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BZP

NEXT IS THE FINAL DRILL... SAD BUT TRUE, IT'S HARD TO *PROCEED*

BUT WE MUST MOVE FORWARD WITH THE *DEED*

SHOOM SHOOM SHOOM

SHOOM

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ZOOOOM

ZWOOO

WE WILL!

THIS FOURTH GREAT NINJA WAR... WE WILL WIN IT!

WAFT

WAFT

YES!!

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# NUMBER 517: OMOI'S WAR!!

WHAT IF THEY MESS AROUND INSIDE MY HEAD AND MAKE ME FIGHT KARUI OR LORD RAIKAGE?

WHAT IF I DIE? WHAT IF I'M CAPTURED? TORTURED?

SIGH... THIS IS NOT WHAT I WANTED. A WAR? DURING MY LIFETIME?

WHOOSH

THIS IS YOUR FIRST WAR, RIGHT?

YOU DON'T LOOK THAT MUCH OLDER THAN ME, CAPTAIN...

YEAH.

UM... CAN I ASK YOU SOMETHING?

...

WHAT IS IT?

!

OMOI! HEY! OMOI, YOU LISTENING?!

WE'RE HEADING DOWN. WE'RE ABOVE ENEMY TERRITORY NOW. SNAP OUT OF IT!

THE OUTCOME OF THIS WAR WILL HINGE ON THE RESULTS OF OUR UNIT'S SURPRISE ATTACKS.

THE NUMBER OF CASUALTIES ALSO DEPENDS COMPLETELY ON OUR COURSE OF ACTION.

...

YOU'RE NOT NERVOUS AT ALL?

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...

IF YOU WANT TO PROTECT YOUR FAMILY AND YOUR FRIENDS!

SO THINK ONLY OF SUCCEEDING!

WAP

WAP

THE NORTH WILL LIKELY BECOME A BATTLEFIELD.

HEAD SOUTH THROUGH YOUR LAND TO KONOHA.

DAIMYO OF THE LAND OF STEAM

SO WHICH WAY DO WE FLEE?

JUST A LITTLE LONGER, MILORD.

IT'S BEEN QUITE A WHILE. WE'RE STILL NOT THERE YET?

CREAK

CREAK

DAIMYO OF THE LAND OF FROST

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GET IT SAFELY TO HQ.

FLAP

HUF

BZZZ

HUF

I GOT SEPA-RATED FROM LANKA.

HUF

HUF

KA BOO M

I NEED TO RENDEZVOUS WITH THE MAIN REGIMENT.

UGH...

ANNOYING BEETLES, *HMMM?!*

THEY KEEP MOVING AROUND ALWAYS OUT OF SIGHT. BOTHERSOME.

UGH...

G-G-G

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THESE INFILTRATION & RECON UNIT GUYS ARE SKILLED.

BUT THEY BETTER NOT UNDERESTI-MATE OUR ART COMBO!!

THIS IS... BEETLE JAMMING... JUTSU.

THE BEETLES... ARE INTERFERING... WITH MY CHAKRA-SENSING ABILITY...

WE CAN HEAD OUT FROM HERE TO LAUNCH SURPRISE ATTACKS AND SET TIME-DELAYED EXPLOSIVE TRAPS!

WE'LL MAKE OUR STRONGHOLD HERE AND BUILD A MINI-BASE.

WE'RE ALREADY INSIDE ENEMY TERRITORY.

IWOO...

ITTAN, USE DOTON TO CONSTRUCT A TRENCH.

SAI, YOU'LL REMAIN ON AERIAL SURVEILANCE.

YES SIR!

OMOI, GO SET EXPLOSIVE TAG TRAPS AT ALL OTHER CLOCK HAND POINTS.

IT NEEDS TO HAVE A 10-METER RADIUS, WITH ENTRANCE AND EGRESS POINTS AT 2 O'CLOCK AND 6 O'CLOCK.

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KAJI AND HOHETO, YOU'RE ON SENSORY AND WATCH DUTY.

GOTCHA!

TANGO, ERECT A CHAKRA COMMUNICATION ANTENNA.

SURE!

THIS IS WAR. DON'T EVER LET YOUR GUARD DOWN, ZAJI! YOU'LL END UP LOSING YOUR LIFE. YOU NEED TO BE MORE WARY!

I'M A SENSORY-NINJA, SO YOU'RE ALL IN GOOD HANDS.

I KNOW, I KNOW. COME ON, DESPITE APPEARANCES, I *AM* AN ELITE SHINOBI THAT WAS SELECTED FOR THIS UNIT... SO... ANYTHING ELSE I SHOULD BE CAREFUL ABOUT?

ROGER.

KIRI AND I WILL REVIEW OUR STRATEGEM.

EVEN IF YOU KILL THE CASTER, THE JUTSU WILL NOT COME UNDONE.

THE ONLY WAY TO STOP THEM IS TO SEAL AWAY THEIR SOULS OR IMMOBILIZE THEM.

ACCORDING TO OUR INTEL, IT INVOLVES THE RESSURECTED DEAD, AND THEY CANNOT DIE AGAIN.

KABUTO WILL COME AT US WITH A DARK NINJUTSU OF OROCHIMARU'S CALLED THE EDO-TENSEI.

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ALL UNITS HAVE BEEN ORDERED TO MAKE FINDING AND CAPTURING KABUTO TOP PRIORITY.

HE'LL THEN BE PLACED UNDER GENJUTSU AND FORCED TO UNDO THIS BOTHERSOME JUTSU... THAT'S WHAT I'VE BEEN TOLD.

FIRST COMPANY, WITH ME!!

NOD

NOD

SHOOM SHOOM

SHOOM

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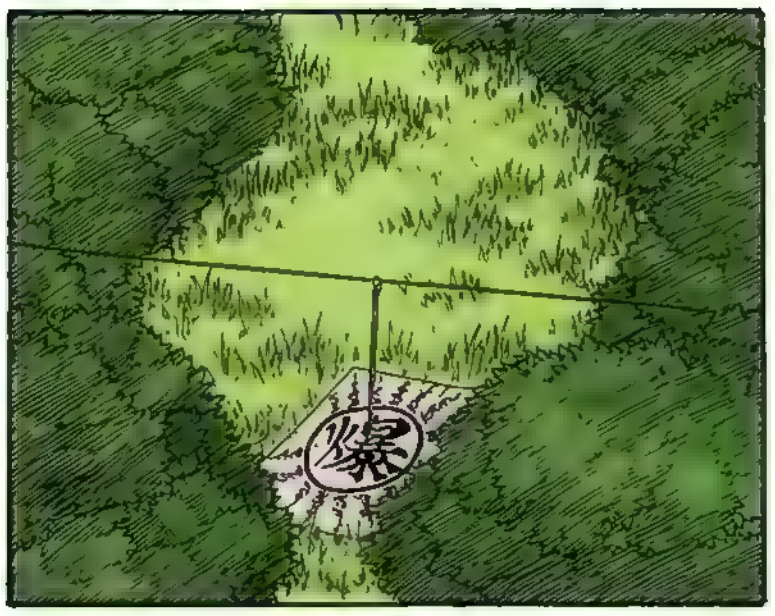

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IT'S INTERFERING WITH MY SENSING ABILITY... BUT SOMETHING IS COMING.

IS IT THE ENEMY ...?!

!!

WHAT IS IT?

THIS IS JAMMING JUTSU...

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HE'S ABURAME, PART OF THE ADVANCE SCOUTING PARTY...!

THAT'S MUTA! I CAN TELL FROM THE CHAKRA. IT'S REALLY HIM!

TAK

THERE ARE TRAPS IN THAT AREA!

I'LL GO RETRIEVE HIM!

HOLD ON! HEY!

TH D

HOHETO!

I KNOW!!

BYAKUGAN!!

MUTA, ARE YOU ALRIGHT?!

TMP

?!

GET AWAY... FROM ME...

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CHA

K

HUH?!

RASH FOOL!

THAT BEETLE BAG ON HIS BACK! THOSE ARE NOT ABURAME CLAN BEETLES INSIDE!

!!

THOSE MOVES, IT CAN'T BE?!

BZP

BZP

TAA

TAA

FSH

TMP

TMP

HE'S RUNNING STRAIGHT AT US, USING ZAJI AS A SHIELD! WHAT DO WE DO.

FT

FT

LOOKS LIKE THEY'VE ALREADY FIGURED IT OUT, HMMM.

THAT'S WHY I TOLD YOU TO BE WARY!!

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DOK

ITTAN, GO FOR IT!!

THERE'S A LARGE WHITE MASS OF CHAKRA INSIDE MUTA'S BEETLE SACK! SOMETHING'S GOING ON!!

DO IT, DEIDARA...

YEEAAGH

IT'S DEIDARA'S DETONATI-NG CLAY!!

THERE'S NO MISTAKE!!

WHY

MP

DOTON EARTH STYLE...

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ZOT

KA BOOM

HUH?!



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STILL THERE...

CHECK FOR THEM.

HEH HEH HEH! NOW *THAT'S* ART! ARE THEY ALL SMITHEREENS? *HMMM?*

AARGH...

THROB

THE REST OF YOU, THE NEXT ATTACK IS COMING! ON YOUR GUARDS!

KIRI... WORK ON HEALING ZAJI.

SNIP

SNIP

NO TIME TO EVEN MOURN YOUR COMRADE'S DEATH. SO THAT'S WAR, HUH?

I COULDN'T SAVE THE ABURAME GUY!

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KLIK

... AND NO TIME TO CONTEMPLATE THAT EITHER, EH?!

TAK

TAK

KLANG

KLANG

TAK

!!?

SCREECH SCREECH

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VOOSH
TOKUMA!! LANKA!!
NICE, SAI!
KLATTER KLATTER
SCREECH
MORE COMRADES?! ARE THEY BEING MANIPULATED?!
...YOU...
FLAP
!!
ANOTHER?
!!
ABOVE!!
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YOU PLAY DIRTY!

UNFORGIVA-BLE!

UNH...

STILL ALIVE. NOW WHAT WILL YOU DO, *HMMM?*

UNUSUAL FOR COMMANDO UNITS TO ENGAGE EACH OTHER LIKE THIS.

YOU ALL ARE ALSO A COMMANDO UNIT ARE'NT YOU?

HO... YOU'RE QUITE THE PUPPET MASTER, *HMMM?*

I KNOW YOU'RE THERE, SASORI! COME OUT!

OUR SIDE INITIATED THIS CONFLICT. AND A VICTORY HERE CAN DECIDE THE FLOW OF THE WAR, *HMMM?*

*HUMPH!* IF WE WIN HERE, OUR SURPRISE ATTACKS WILL BE MORE EFFECTIVE.

SHUP

WE WILL NOT LOSE.

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!

WE ARE IMMORTAL!!

KRAK

WE'RE INDESTRUCTIBLE. YOU HAVE NO CHANCE!

RUN AWAY, LITTLE BROTH-ER...!

NO TIME TO HESITATE...

KLAK

BROTHER?!!

!

...FOR THOSE WHO HURT MY COMRADES!!

NO MERCY...

FSH

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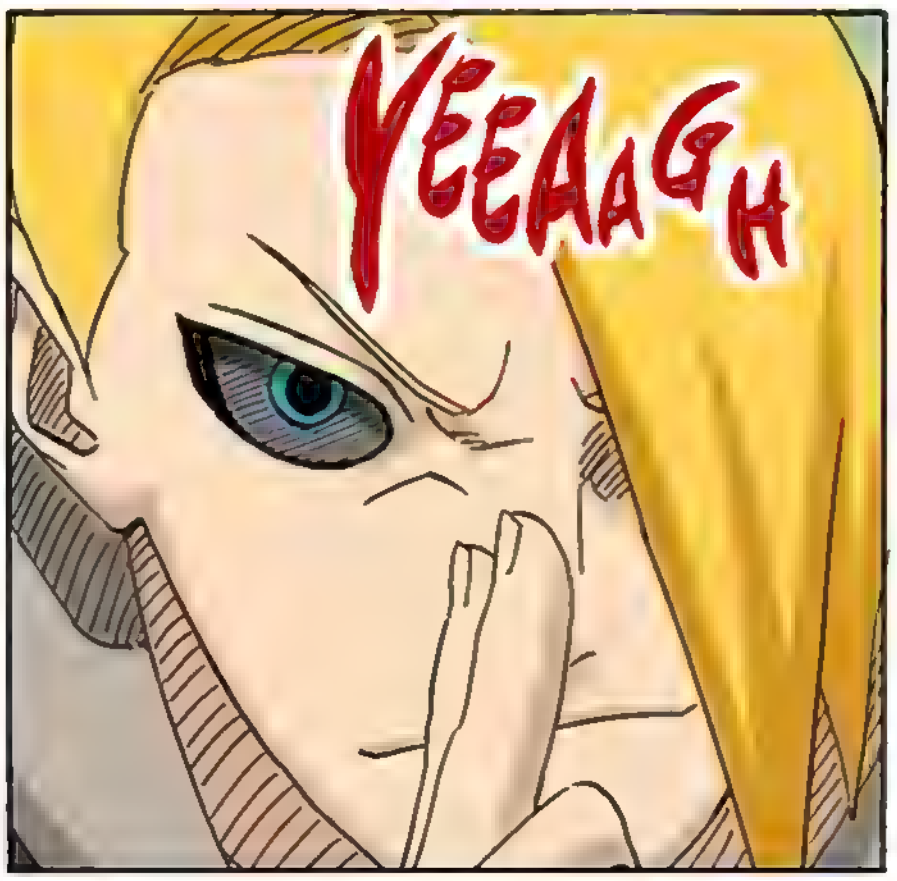
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## BATTLE OF THE COMMANDO UNITS!!

NO ROOM FOR NICETIES, HMMM?!

THIS IS WAR!!

KLANG

BROTHER!! SNAP OUT OF IT!

ITTAN, YOU'RE NEXT!

TAK

HOHETO, TANGO, KEEP IT UP!

DEIDARA... YOU...!

TAK

CLOUD STYLE...

SLASH SLASH

DON'T EVEN NEED TO EVADE THEM, HMMM!

NICE MOVES! BUT CUT US ALL YOU WANT, YOU'RE NOT GOING TO HURT US!

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SNP SNP SNP SNP SNP SNP SNP SNP SNP SNP SNP

BACK SLICE!!

?!!

OMOI! GOOD WORK!!

THERE!!

I'M UNHARMED!!

GUH!

TOO SLY!

IT'S A TRICK MOVE. HE APPEARS TO SLICE IN FRONT BUT ACTUALLY SLASHES BACK.

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YOINK

YAH!!

SOK

SOK

SOK

?!

!!

WHUMP

RRUMBLE

UGH!

SPLAT

TAK

ITTAN, RAISE US UP!!

OK!!

EARTH STYLE! MOBILE CORE!!

SHF

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SLAM

ARGH!!!

TMP

TH

OOM...

FLAP...

蠍

(SASORI)

I, OF THE BLACK SECRET TECHNIQUE, AM THE BETTER PLAYER NOW.

WHILE IT DOES TICKLE ME TO BE PRAISED BY YOU, A RED SECRET TECHNIQUE PERFORMER...

FSH

YOUR STRING-HANDLING SKILLS HAVE IMPROVED SOME... KANKURO.

YOU ATTACHED YOUR STRINGS TO MINE AND REELED ME IN...

FSH...

YOU...

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# BOOK OF

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SQK

...

!!

I AM FINALLY A TRUE DOLL THAT WILL NEVER ROT! WHAT I HAD ALWAYS LONGED TO BE!

MY OWN PUPPET. I NO LONGER CARE FOR *THAT* BODY.

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TMP

FSH

FT

RUN... AWAY...

HE SWALLOWED THE CLAY!

CAPTAIN... THE FOUNDATION AGENT!

KIRI, YOU FOCUS ON BEING HEALER!

ITTAN, SURROUND KIRI AND THE INJURED WITH PROTECTIVE BOULDERS!

IF THAT'S TRUE, I MIGHT BE ABLE TO HELP.

DEIDARA'S DETONATING CLAY CAN BE NEUTRALIZED WITH RAITON.

?!

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SHOOM...

SSH

SHUP

TMP

TMP

TAK

KLANG

ZWOO

BAP BAP

BAP BAP

SSSSSS

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SHOOM

TAK

NOW!!

YEEAAGH

...

?!!

BLACK SECRET TECHNIQUE! SALAMANDER!!

ZW

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BROTHER!!

ZAP

BUT WE HAVE TO REINFORCE. WE MUST CRUSH OUR ENEMY.

AN EXPLO-SION...?!

!

THOOM...

TAK

OWW...

GOOD! I CAN STILL SENSE CHAKRAS... EVERYONE'S ALIVE!

ZAJI! HOW GOES IT OUTSIDE?!

RRH MBLE ...

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HE'S JUST A ***BOMB*** TO YOU?

...

SHUA...

LESSER POWER, *HMMM?!*

A DEFENSE SALAMANDER. I BUILT IT LONG AGO.

IMPRESSIVE! A DEFENSIVE PUPPET BELOW GROUND TO CONFINE THE BOMB.

ZWOOOO...

ZWOOOO

YOU ARE GARBAGE. YOU ARE NOT GOOD ENOUGH TO REPLACE SASUKE!

QUIT YAKKING, YOU WEAKLING!

*HMMM?* YOU GOT SOMETHING TO WHINE ABOUT?!

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...ESPECIALLY... SINCE I DIED AND WAS LIBERATED FROM THE FOUNDATION...

I... DON'T WANT TO HURT YOU.

...SO I CAN MAKE HIM INTO A BOMB OVER AND OVER, HA HA HA!!

FOR AS LONG AS HIS SOUL IS BOUND TO THIS WORLD, HE'LL KEEP COMING BACK TO LIFE...

ZWOO

...

YOU OF THE FOUNDATION ARE SIMILAR TO ME.

IF YOU GET RID OF THE HEART, YOU ALSO ELIMINATE HESITATION AND DOUBT... RESULTING IN THE ULTIMATE SHINOBI.

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YOU ARE RAISED TOGETHER FROM WHEN YOU'RE YOUNG, LIKE SIBLINGS, AND THEN FORCED TO KILL ONE ANOTHER IN THE END.

A TRAINING SYSTEM THAT DESTROYS EMOTIONS.

I HAVE HEARD RUMORS ABOUT KONOHA'S FOUNDATION...

SLOSH

SSH

...

ART IS AN EXPLOSION! LIKE THIS!

HOW DARE YOU CREATE SUCH MEDIOCRE DRAWINGS AND THEN CALL YOURSELF AN ARTIST!

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PLINK

JUST TRY IT.

WAP

WAP

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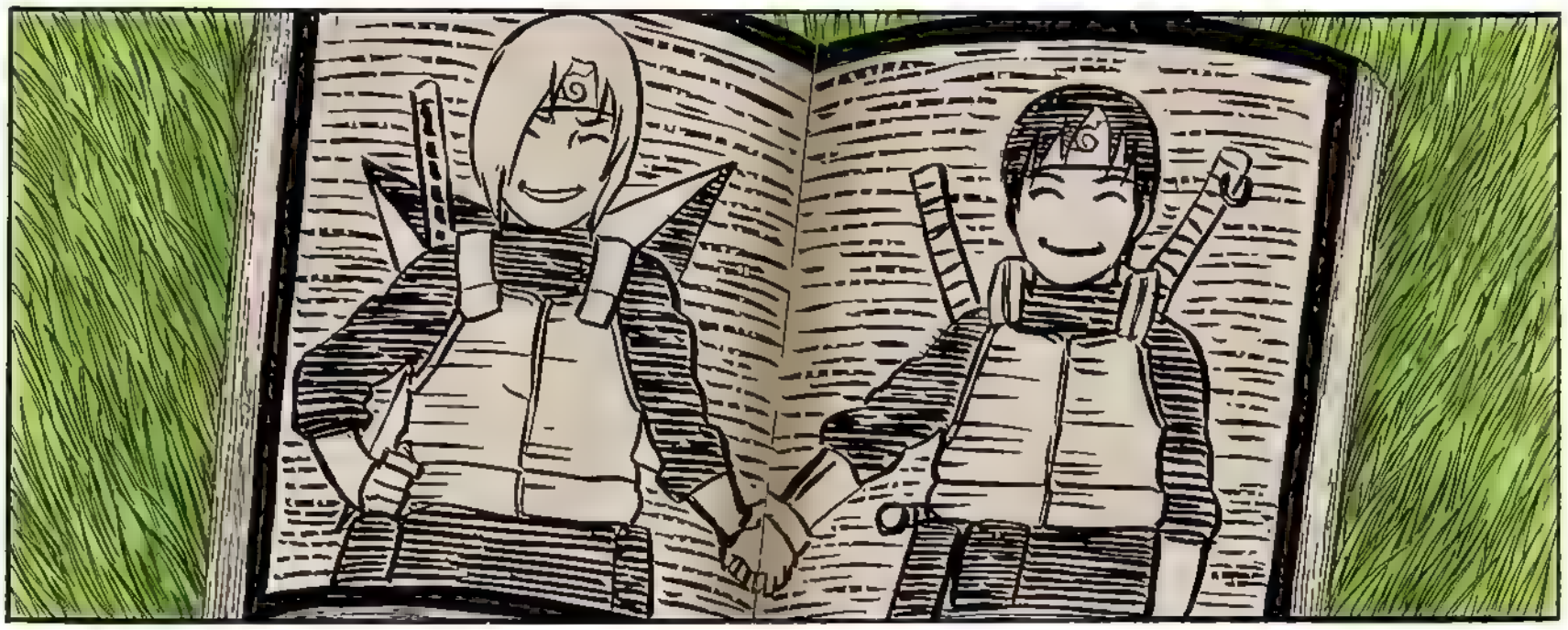

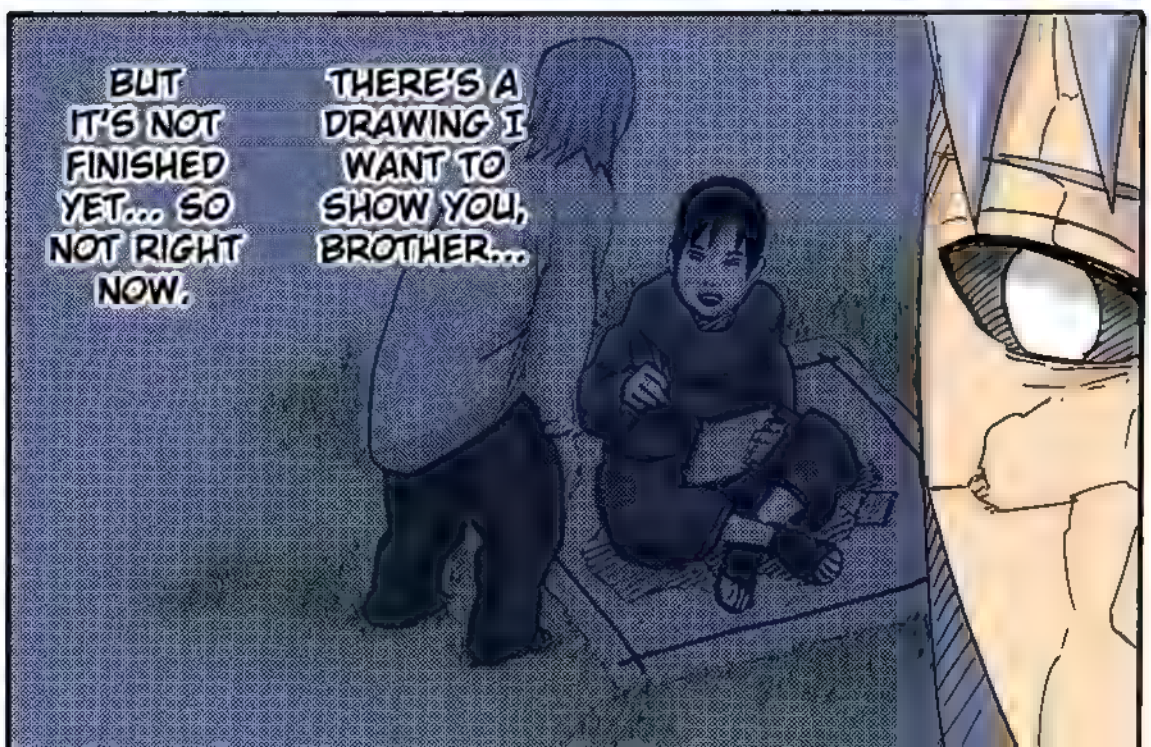

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ARGH!

ZT

KLAK

KLAK

SO TASTELESS TO EXHIBIT ONE'S ULTIMATE ART MULTIPLE TIMES. BUT IT CAN'T BE HELPED!! *HMMM!*

I SHOULD HAVE DETONATED MYSELF LONG AGO!

ZWP

!!

VOOSH-

WHOOSH

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THK THK

THK THK

!!

RAITON ?!

BAM

TRIPLE IRON MAIDEN!!

!!

WHOOSH

WHOOSH

HUF

HUF

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HELP SAI'S BROTHER!!

GOOD, OMOI!

MY PUPPET JUTSU HAS GOT THOSE TWO!

TMP

ROGER!!

...

NO... THAT'S NOT NECESSARY.

SO LET'S SETTLE NOW... WHAT WE COULDN'T BACK THEN...

...BROTHER, WHILE I WAS IN THE FOUNDATION, THAT I WOULD HAVE TO FIGHT YOU ONE DAY...

I KNEW...

YOUR DRAWING HAS UNDONE THE BINDINGS ON MY SOUL...

I FINALLY GOT TO SEE THAT DRAWING YOU WANTED TO SHOW ME...

BLOP...

BLOP...

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MY STRINGS JUST WENT SLACK...

...WHAT'S... GOING... ON?

THANK YOU...

AND AT THE MOMENT YOU MAY INHABIT REAL FLESH, BUT YOU'RE JUST A DOLL, A TRUE MARIONATE.

...

THUS I CAN FEEL IT, INSIDE THIS PUPPET THAT YOU MADE, WHERE DWELLS YOUR UNDYING SOUL.

SASORI, YOUR ERSTWHILE STRENGTH LAY IN YOUR SOUL.

IN THE PAST. YOU TRIED TO ERASE YOUR SOUL BY BECOMING A PUPPET, BUT YOU DID NOT FULLY SUCEED.

YOU WOULD NEVER HAVE ALLOWED YOURSELF TO BE MANIPULATED BY OTHERS.

YOU WERE A FIRST-RATE SHINOBI PUPPET MASTER.

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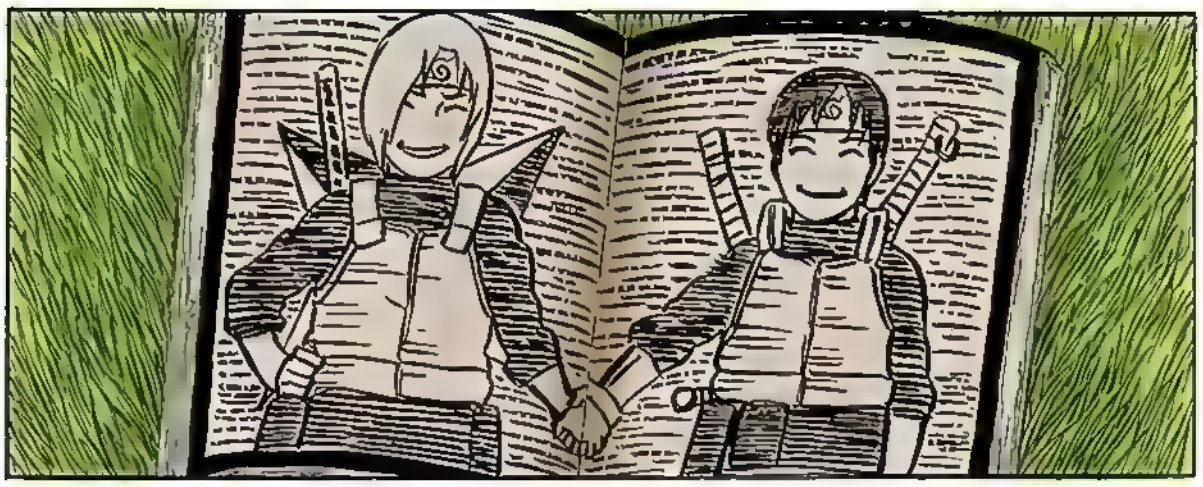

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I WILL *NOT* LOSE TO EITHER YOU OR WHOEVER'S CONTOLLING YOU!

A PUPPET MASTER WHO IS CONTROLLED BY ANOTHER IS DONE FOR.

...

I AM THE NINJA PUPPET MASTER OF THE *REAL* SASORI PUPPET!

AS LONG AS THERE ARE FUTURE GENERA-TIONS OF PUPPET MASTERS TO INHERIT THE SOUL THAT LIVES WITHIN THEM!

YOUR ART, THE PUPPETS YOU'VE CREATED, WILL LIVE ON FOREVER.

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...IS THE TRUE FORM OF ART I SOUGHT, EH...

SO THAT...

HEH!

YOU MUSTN'T FALL FOR THEIR SILVER TONGUES, HMMM?!?!

ART IS A SINGLE FLASH OF LIGHT! ART IS AN EXPLOSION!!

COME ON!!

YES?

...

BLOP BLOP BLOP...

YOU'RE RIGHT...

KANKURO ...

THE SOUL OF THE CEATOR DWELLS WITHIN, HUH?

BLOP

BLOP

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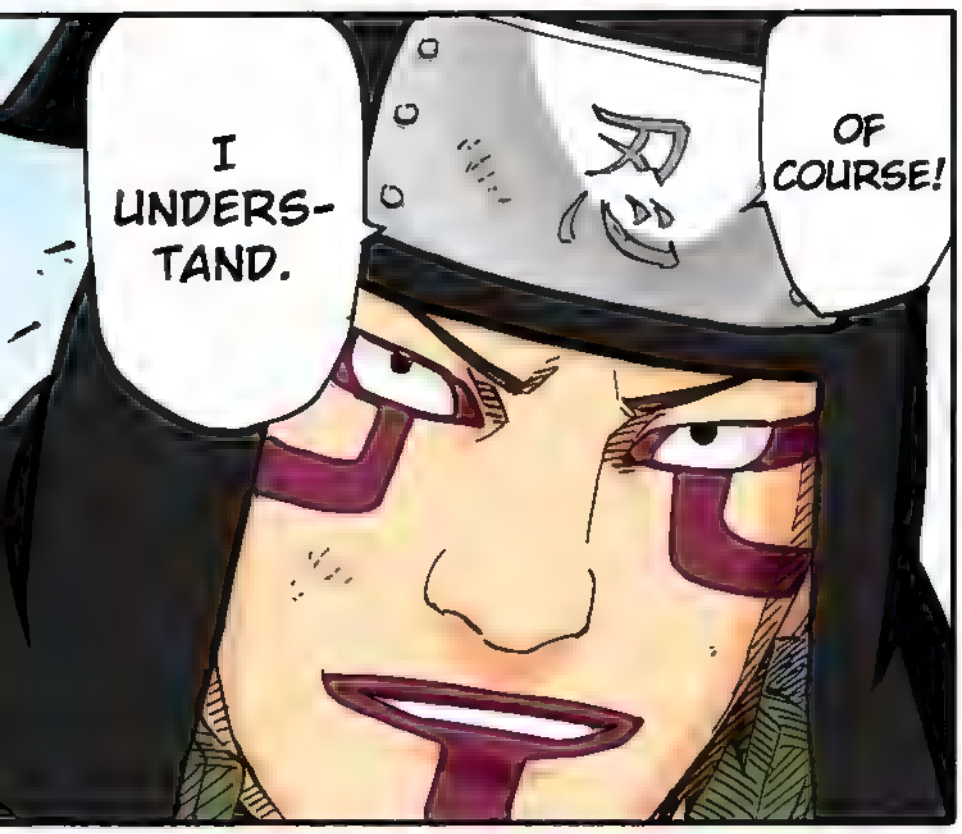


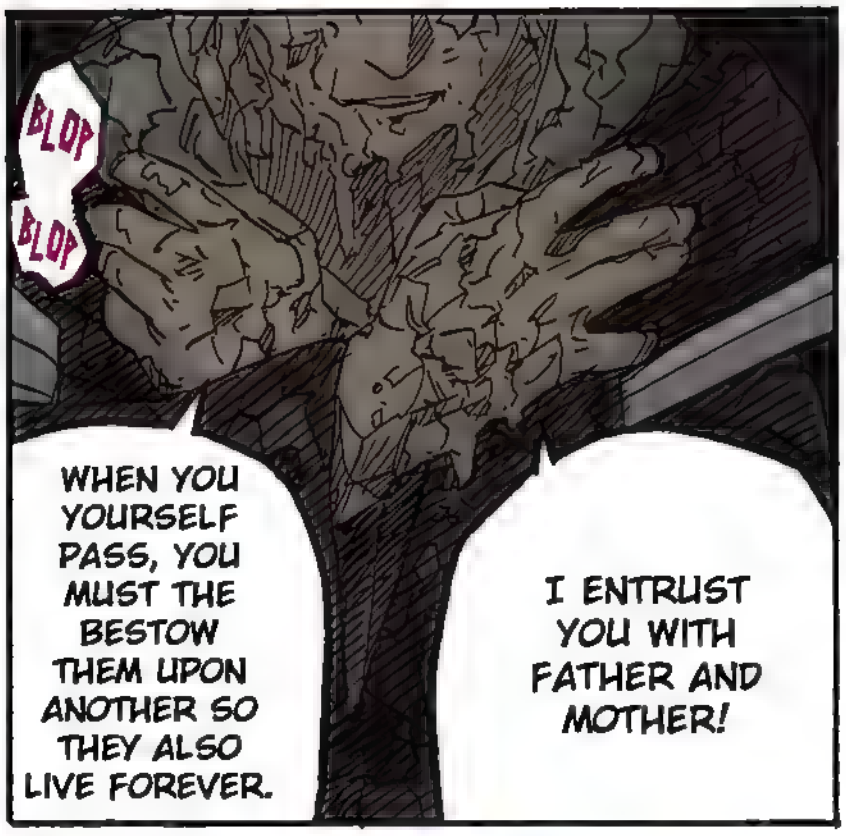
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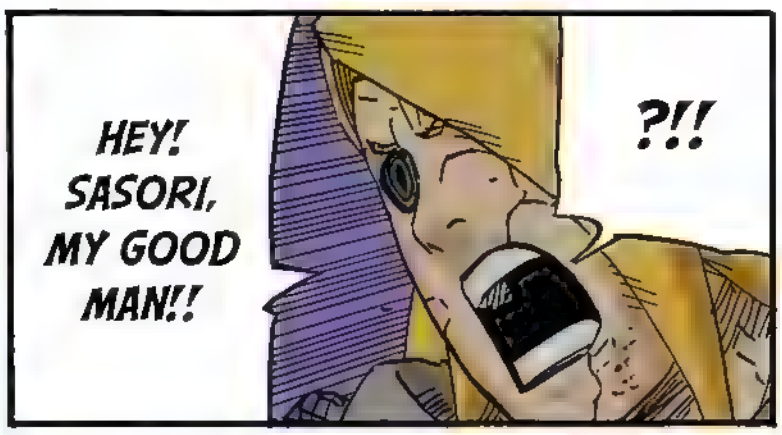
BLOP
WHEN YOU YOURSELF PASS, YOU MUST THE BESTOW THEM UPON ANOTHER SO THEY ALSO LIVE FOREVER.
I ENTRUST YOU WITH FATHER AND MOTHER!



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THIS IS A SACRIFICIAL VICTIM.

WHAT'S GOING ON? I THOUGHT THE EDO-TENSEI WAS A JUTSU OF IMMORTALITY.

MAYBE KABUTO UNDID THE JUTSU?

IT'S NOT SO EASY TO CONTROL EMOTION.

THE SUPPOSEDLY PERFECT EDO-TENSEI HAS A FLAW.

SASORI'S GONE! HARD TO BELIEVE...

...SINCE THE LOUD ONE'S STILL HERE.

*LEMME OUTTA HERE, RUFFIANS, HMMM?!!*

SAI, OMOI, ZAJI! HEAD OUT FOR IMMEDIATE AMBUSH!!

NO. IT HAS JUST BEGUN!

LOOKS LIKE IT'S OVER.

ZWWW WWWWWW

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ROGER!

YES!

YES, SIR!!

I'VE FIGURED IT OUT.

I'LL HIDE AND CONCENTRATE ON THE JUTSU.

YOU, TO THE FRONT LINE.

WHAT IS IT?

...!

THAT SNAKE! HE'S PITTING ME AGAINST THE ALLIED FORCES! BUT *I'M* THE ONE WHO'LL USE *HIM*.

HE LED HER HERE.

THIS WOMAN! SHE GOT THIS CLOSE TO THE HIDEOUT! AND KABUTO KNEW!

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HEY, SO THAT ROOM LEADS HERE TOO!

SKREEEEE

THE LAST STAGE OF BIJU TRAINING AWAITS! SO QUIT GRUMBLING, *HEAR?*

TO YET ANOTHER ROOM, LEADS THIS DOOR *HERE*

WHERE'S THAT SWITCH?

AND NOW AN EIGHT TAILS STATUE, HUH? STUPID!

SKITCH

SKITCH

THAT'S YOUR FIRST STEP TO *LEARN, YUP*

ENTER BIJU *MODE.* UNDERGO BIJU TRANSFORMA-TION!

ZWOOO...

NOW IT'S TIME TO LEARN THE ULTIMATE JINCHURIKI* JUTSU, HEAR WHAT I *SAY?*

IF YOU'RE READY, GIVE ME THE *OKAY!*

SO? WHAT DO I DO?

I HAVE TO LEARN HOW TO CONTROL THIS POWER!

OKAY!!

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I DON'T WANT TO DO BIJU TRANSFOR-MATION.

IT'S NOT RISKY?

THOOM...

NOW IT'S YOUR *TURN*

STEP ON IT AND HURRY *UP*

YOU ONLY EXTRACTED BIJU CHAKRA *PURE*, SO YOU WON'T RAMPAGE, I'M *SURE*

YOU SHOULD BE FINE, *FOOL*,

YA *FOOL*

ALL RIGHT.

CLAP

UNNNNNH!!!

FSHOO

*VISUALIZE YOUR BIJU! DARN FOOL*

RAWRR!!!

ZWOOO

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POOF

PFFFT...

HUF

BOOF

HUF

...

...

WELL, IT'S NOT LIKE YOU BECAME CHUMMY WITH NINE TAILS, SO... I GUESS BIJU TRANSFORMATION IS AN UTTER FAILURE...

...NO GO...? TOO BAD.

THAT WAS *NOT* FUN.

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I USED ALL THAT NINE TAILS CHAKRA AND I STILL COULDN'T DO IT.

HUF

UGH. I NEED TO SLEEP.

WAP

HUF

THAT'S A MOVE THAT EVEN A JINCHURIKI CAN ONLY ACHIEVE IN BIJU STATE, BEE.

SO HOW ARE YOU GOING TO TEACH HIM THE BIJU BOMB?

HM?!

HEY, NARUTO! THIS IS EIGHT-TAILS SPEAKING, NOT BEE.

LISTEN CLOSELY TO WHAT I'M ABOUT TO TELL YOU!

FINE, I'LL EXPLAIN. LET ME OUT.

SAVES ME FROM VERBAL *FUMBLE*

I HAND OVER THE BATON FOR THE MUMBLE-*JUMBLE!*

ESPECIALLY SINCE THEY DIFFER FUNDAMENTALLY BETWEEN YOU AND HIM, BEE.

SHOULDN'T YOU TELL HIM THE RISKS OF BIJU MODE, TOO?

THERE ARE RISKS TO BIJU MODE?!

RISKS?!

FIRST, I'LL COVER THE RISKS OF THE BIJU CHAKRA MODE.

WELL, AT LEAST I WON'T HAVE TO LISTEN TO ALL HIS DUMB RHYMES.

HUH? THIS IS KINDA CONFUSING...

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NINE TAILS IS SIPHONING AWAY YOUR CHAKRA!

BECAUSE YOU'RE TEMPORARILY SHELVING NARUTO CHAKRA IN ORDER TO USE NINE TAILS CHAKRA.

NARUTO SIDE

NINE TAILS' CHAKRA

NARUTO'S CHAKRA

NINE TAILS SIDE

OF COURSE!

WHILE YOU'RE USING BIJU CHAKRA MODE...

BEE AND I USED TO BE LIKE THAT TOO, LONG AGO, FIGHTING OVER EACH OTHER'S CHAKRA.

NARUTO, YOU'VE MERELY TAKEN NINE TAILS' CHAKRA FROM HIM, NOT TRULY TAMED HIM.

HOW COME OCTOPOPS IS ALWAYS OKAY?!

WHAT?!!

AND, OBVIOUSLY, IF HE DRAINS NARUTO CHAKRA TO ZERO... YOU'RE OFF TO THE AFTERLIFE.

ZERO

NINE TAILS WILL TAKE AN EQUAL AMOUNT OF NARUTO CHAKRA FROM EACH CLONE... SO YOU'LL BE DRAINED INSTANTLY AND DIE.

OH, AND I WOULDN'T ADVISE USING SHADOW DOPPLEGANGERS IN BIJU CHAKRA MODE.

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DON'T YOU MOCK NINE TAILS' POWER! HE'LL SUCK YOUR CHAKRA RIGHT OUT OF YOU!!

FOOL!!

HEH HEH, BUT I'VE GOT PLENTY OF MY OWN CHAKRA! I'VE BEEN GETTING ALL THE CHAKRA THAT LEAKS OUT OF NINE TAILS ALL MY LIFE!

FINALLY. THERE'S A LIMIT TO THE CHAKRA PULLED FORCIBLY FROM NINE TAILS.

NORMALLY. YOU'D NEGOTIATE WITH YOUR BIJU AND AGREE ON THE PARAMETERS OF THE CHAKRA EXCHANGE.

NOT THAT I EVER SEE NINE TAILS DOING THAT.

BE REAL CAREFUL! IF YOU GET WOUND UP AND START USING NINE TAILS CHAKRA EXCLUSIVELY DURING A BATTLE...

YOU'L BE DEAD BEFORE YOU KNOW IT!

IT TAKES A FAIR AMOUNT OF TIME TO RESTORE ANY NARUTO CHAKRA THAT'S BEEN SIPHONED OFF!

WHAT JUTSU IS THAT?

BIJU BOMB?

...

FWUP!!

FOCUS ON POLISHING YOUR OWN SPECIAL MOVE.

YOU'D BEST GIVE UP ON THE BIJU BOMB.

I CAN'T EVEN PERFORM THE ULTIMATE JINCHURIKI JUTSU?

...

IT'S TOO RISKY.

WUMP

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SIMPLE. YOU CHANGE YOUR CHAKRA'S FORM, POOL IT IN YOUR MOUTH, COMPRESS IT...

AND THEN RELEASE IT. THAT'S ALL.

THE SENSATION IS JUST LIKE THAT OF YOMIT-ING.

THAT ONE, HUH?

LIKE THIS?!

KLIMP

ULP!

I'LL JUST TRY IT IN THIS MODE!!

FSH

BZP

BZP

BZP

...

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WOOOO...

BUT I'VE EXPLAINED EVERYTHING TO YOU. NOW, BACK TO BEE...

IT'S IMPOSSIBLE WITHOUT BIJU TRASNFORM-ATION...

AARGH!

DRIPPLE

I NEED TWO PAIRS OF HANDS, ONE TO HANDLE CHAKRA EMISSION AND ONE TO PERFORM THE ROTATION, COMPRESSION, AND CONTAINMENT OF THE CHANGE IN FORM.

I CAN'T DO RASENGAN WITHOUT A SHADOW DOPPLEGANGER, I CAN'T DO IT IN THIS MODE!

THE ONLY THING LEFT IS TO TRY OUR SPECIAL MOVE IN BIJU CHAKRA MODE. WE MUST BE *DILIGENT*

WELL IT CAN'T BE HELPED... WE MUST *RELENT*

OKAY...

...

NOT TO BE MISTAKEN FOR YOUR ACTUAL ARMS AND LEGS, *HMMM?!?*

BIJU CHAKRA FEELS LIKE AN EXTENSION OF YOUR *LIMBS*

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NOW BRINGS UP THAT SPECIAL MOVE OF YOURS, AND LET'S SEE IF WE CAN USE ANY *PART*

VERY NICE, A GOOD *START*

ALL RIGHT!

YOU MEAN LIKE THIS?

RASENGAN!!

WHUP

WHUP

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POP

WOOSH

WAH!

HUH?

THAT'S!!

?!

HEY, NARUTO.

THE ROTATION, COMPRESSION, AND CONTAINMENT OF THE CHANGE IN FORM.

WHO TAUGHT THAT JUTSU TO YOU, YA DIMWIT FOOL?!!!

THAT JUTSU! IT'S JUST LIKE A BIJU BOMB, FOOL, YA FOOL!!

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...!!

PERVY SAGE!

UM, I MEAN MASTER JIRAIYA. THOUGH IT WAS THE FOURTH HOKAGE WHO INVENTED IT.

HUH?! OH!

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THE FOURTH HOKAGE?!!!

WHAT A COINCIDENCE! HOW FATEFUL! TRULY NOT A *SHAME*

IT'S LIKE IT WAS DEVELOPED TO BESTOW THE BIJU BOMB UPON YOU!! HOW *INSANE*

...

THE RASENGAN MUST HAVE BEEN MODELED...

...ON THIS BIJU MODE MOVE!!

THE RASENGAN! IT'S PUT TOGETHER JUST LIKE A BIJU BOMB! THEY'RE COMPLETELY THE *SAME*

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BUT...

IT'S NOT WORKING AS WELL AS MY REGULAR RASENGAN.

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IT'S EASY TO ACHIEVE IN BIJU STATE.

BUT WHEN STILL HUMAN, THE CHANGE IN FORM IS DIFFICULT, ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE!

IF YOU ADD ROTATION, THAT MAKES IT MORE PLAUSIBLE!!

WHEN YOU'RE COMPRESSING IT, MAKE THE WHITE TO BLACK RATIO TWO TO EIGHT AND IT'LL FORM A SPHERE!

BIJU CHAKRA IS COMPOSED OF POSITIVE BLACK CHAKRA AND NEGATIVE WHITE CHAKRA AND THEIR RATIO IS THE KEY!

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NOW TRY IT!!

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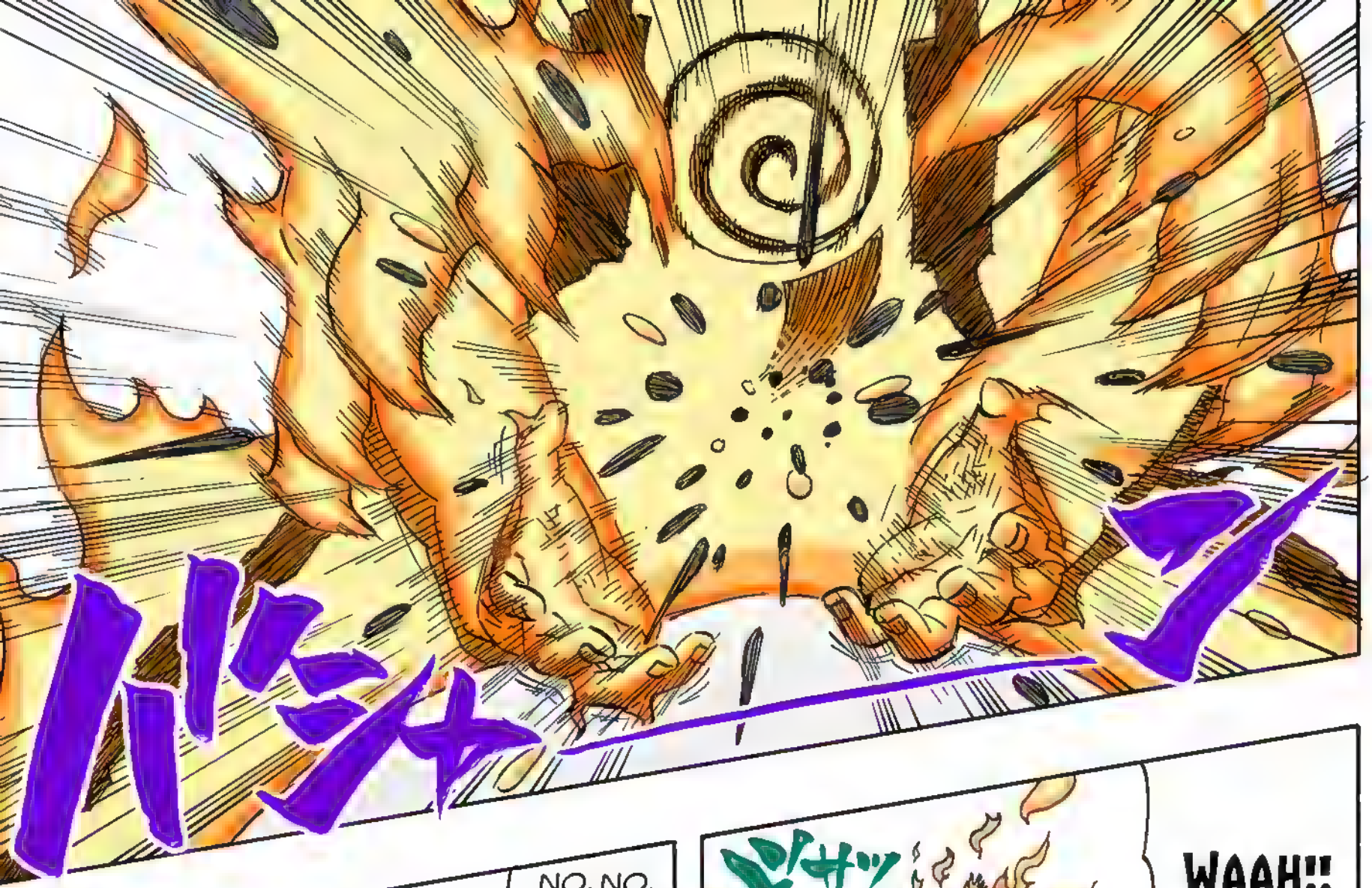
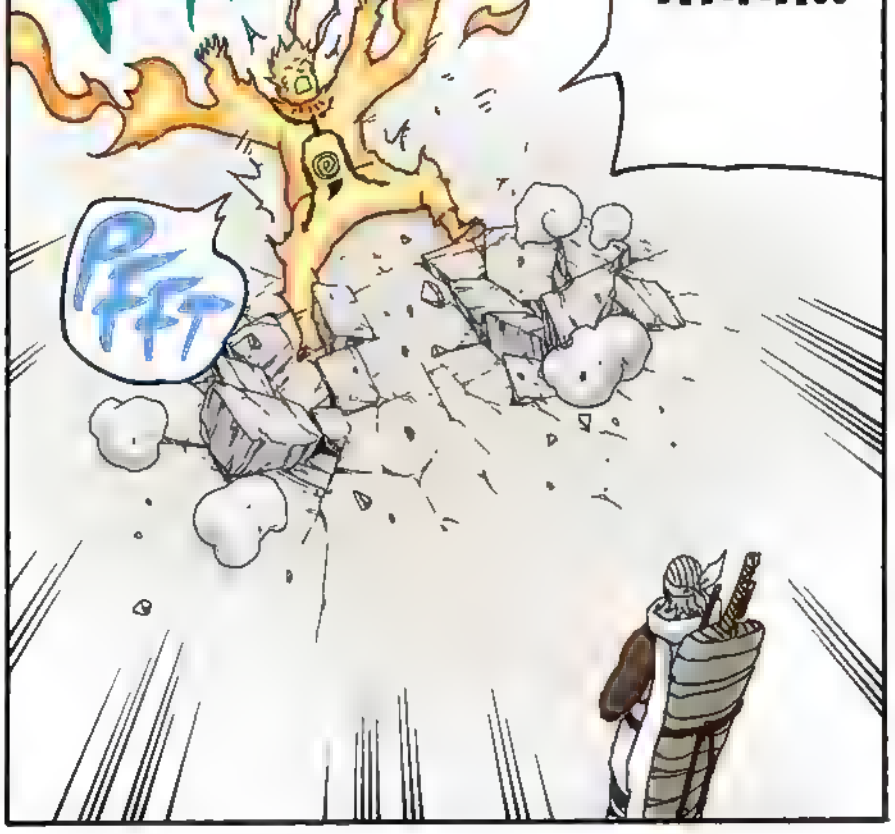


I'M CONFUSED! POSITIVE! NEGATIVE! WHITE CHAKRA! BLACK CHAKRA! RATIOS!
I LEARN BY DOING, YA KNOW?!
NO, NO, YOUR RATIO'S STILL OUT OF WHACK ♪
THAT WAS BLACK 9.5 TO WHITE 0.5! IT'S MUCH HARDER THAN IT SOUNDS, TO GRASP THE KNACK ♪



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REST A BIT, THOSE WOUNDS ON YOUR HANDS ARE A TYPE OF JUTSU *RECOIL* ♪

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YOU'RE HANDICAPPED IN HUMAN FORM... IT'S A TOUGHER *TOIL* ♪

OWW...!

I TOLD YOU, I CAN'T WORRY ABOUT THE DETAILS!

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I'M GONNA TRY TO LEARN IT BY FEEL!

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OCTOPOPS, TELL ME WHEN I HIT AN 8-TO-2 RATIO!

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I'LL SWALLOW MY WORDS AND HELP YOU *TELL* ♪

...YOU SURE ARE PERSIS-TENT... VERY *WELL* ♪

SHE KNOWS WHERE OUR HQ IS AND HOW TO GET INSIDE.

NO... YOU MUST FINISH HER OFF HERE AND NOW.

*UNH...*

SHE'S COMPATIBLE WITH LORD OROCHIMARU'S CURSE MARK. SHE CARRIES SOME OF HIS CHAKRA.

THE WOMAN IS STILL ALIVE.

I CAN'T KILL HER YET.

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I AM NOW LORD OROCHIMARU, AT LEAST IN BODY.

HIS CHAKRA IS CRITICAL FOR ME IF I AM TO EXPAND MY POWER.

SHE NEEDS TO BE ALIVE FOR ME TO EXTRACT LORD OROCHIMARU'S CHAKRA.

NO?

BUT UPPING YOUR BATTLE STRENGTH WILL MEAN AN INCREASE IN YOUR CONTRIBUTION TOO, EH?

THE EDOTENSEI REQUIRES LIVE BODIES.

SHE MUST LIVE.

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THEN THE BINDING STRENGTH OF MY EDOTENSEI WILL BE EVEN GREATER!

THE EDOTENSEI JUTSU... PROVE TO ME RIGHT NOW THAT IT REALLY REQUIRES LIVING BODIES.

PLUS...

SO HOW CAN I CONVINCE YOU?

IT APPEARS YOU STILL DON'T TRUST ME...

THERE IS A CHANCE YOUR ADVANTAGE SHALL PUT ME AT A DISADVANTAGE.

A FRIEND TODAY... MAY BE AN ENEMY TOMORROW...

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INCLUDING HOW TO STOP IT!

YOU WILL SPILL ALL ITS SECRETS!

YOUR LIFE!!

AND IF I SAY NO...?

YOU WILL SURELY NOT REACH WHAT YOU DESIRE, AND WHAT YOU DESIRE WILL BECOME SOMETHING ELSE.

LIKE I SAID, THIS WOMAN'S OFF-LIMITS.

...VERY WELL...

BUT THERE'S NO ONE HERE TO USE AS A SACRIFICE...

...

マ相手にTAKING ON THE RINNEGAN HERE WON'T HELP ME... はぁ

BUT, I'VE GOT A PLAN. NO NEED TO GIVE AWAY ALL MY SECRETS AT ONCE.

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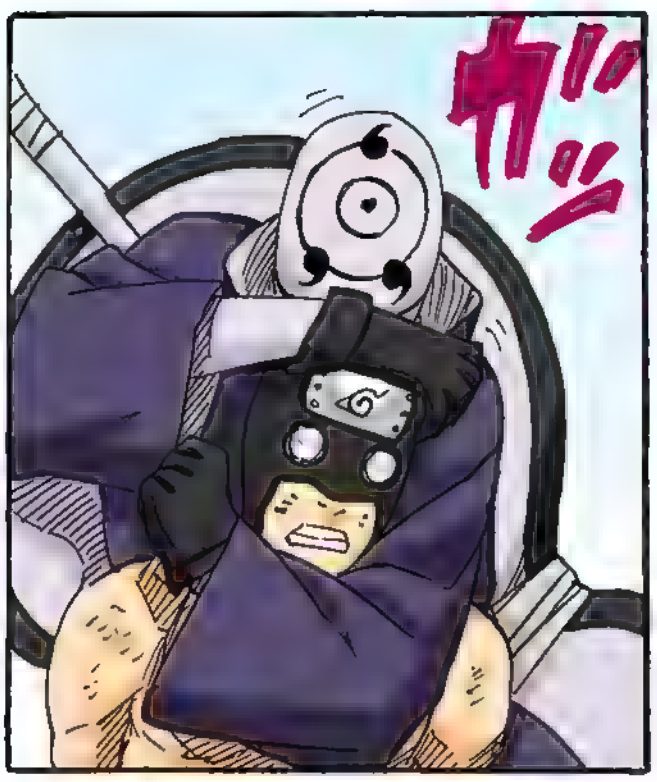


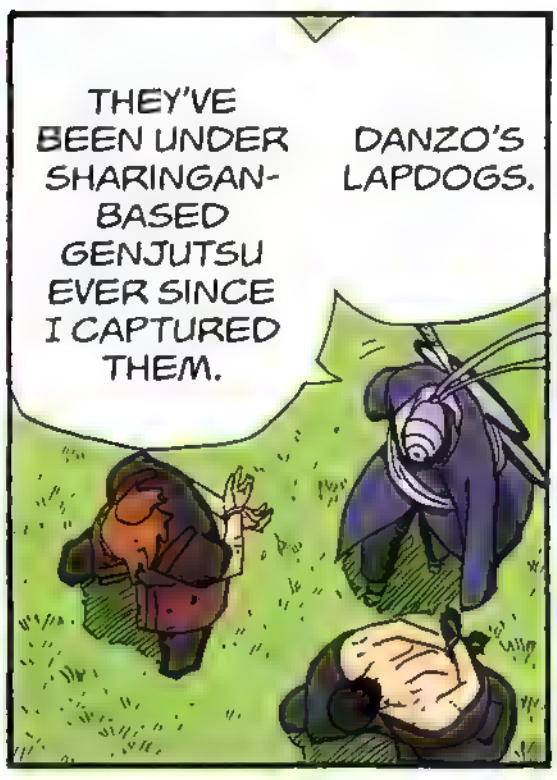


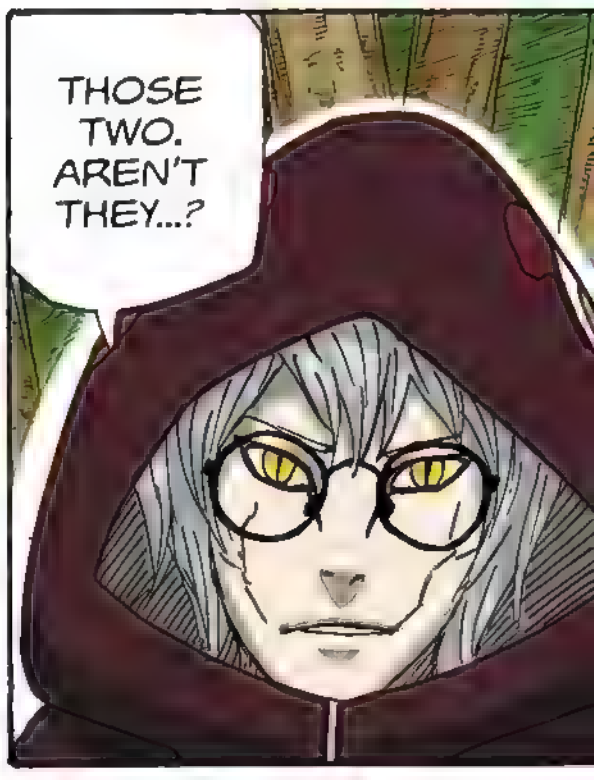


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SO MERCI-LESS...

NOW RECALL THE SOUL OF THE ONE I JUST KILLED AND REVIVE HIM INSIDE THIS OTHER ONE USING THE EDOTENSEI.

HERE, I'VE DONE THE PREP WORK FOR YOU...

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ZWP...

IT INVOLVES SUMMONING A SOUL OF THE DEAD FROM THE PURE LAND, OR AFTERLIFE, BACK TO THIS PLANE... EDO THE IMPURE WORLD...

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...JUST SO YOU KNOW... THE EDOTENSEI IS CATEGORIZED AS A TYPE OF SUMMONING JUTSU...

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IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE THAT, A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF FLESH...

...FROM THE BODY OF THE PERSON YOU WANT TO REVIVE IS NECESSARY.

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LORD OROCHIMARU ONCE TRIED TO REVIVE THE FOURTH HOKAGE AND FAILED...

...BECAUSE THE GOD OF DEATH NOW HAS HIS SOUL AFTER HE USED THE REAPER DEATH SEAL SEALING JUTSU.

SPLATCH

ANY TISSUE THAT CONTAINS PERSONAL INFORMATION MATERIAL.

IN ADDITION, THOSE WHOSE SOULS DO NOT DWELL IN THE PURE LAND... FOR EXAMPLE, THEIR SOULS ARE SEALED AWAY SOMEWHERE ELSE, ALSO CANNOT BE REVIVED.

IF NONE EXISTS, THAT PERSON CANNOT BE REVIVED WITH THE EDOTENSEI.

...TAKING THE SOULS OF THE FIRST AND SECOND HOKAGE WITH HIM.

AND... DURING OPERATION DESTROY KONOHA... THIRD HOKAGE HIRUZEN ALSO USED THE SAME SEALING JUTSU ON HIMSELF...

BUT HARVESTING THEIR PERSONAL INFORMATION MATERIAL WAS A REAL ORDEAL...

I REVIVED NUMEROUS INDIVIDUALS ...

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THAT'S RIGHT...

WHICH MEANS... THE FIRST THROUGH FOURTH HOKAGES CAN NO LONGER BE RECALLED?

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WHOOSH

A FEW JUST DID NOTHING.

SOMETIMES THEY'RE SO ROTTED YOU CAN'T EVEN TELL WHO IT IS.

IT'S REALLY JUST GRAVE ROBBING.

SO THIS IS THE JUTSU FORMULA, EH...

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THUS YOU MAKE THE LIVING PERSON THE VESSEL FOR THE DEAD ONE'S SOUL.

AND THAT COMPLETES THE EDO-TENSEI.

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AAARGH!!!

...THE REVIVED RECOVERS ALL ABILITIES POSSESSED DURING LIFE AND BECOMES AN IMMORTAL PAWN, BOUND TO FOLLOW MY ORDERS.

THIS TAG SUPPRESSES FREE WILL, AND ONCE GIVEN CERTAIN COMMANDS...

ZWW..

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DEVELOPED BY THE SECOND HOKAGE AND PERFECTED BY LORD OROCHIMARU, IT IS THEIR GREATEST LEGACY!

IT TRULY IS THE GREATEST, MOST POWERFUL JUTSU OF THE SHINOBI WORLD!

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WHA... WHAT?!

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UNUSUAL ABILITIES SUCH AS THE SIX PATHS RINNEGAN AND ITACHI'S SHARINGAN ARE RESTORED AS WELL.

IT'S JUST THAT... I COULD NOT LOCATE UCHIHA SHISUI'S BODY ANYWHERE. AND JIRAIYA'S WAS TOO DEEP UNDERSEA, AT A WATER PRESSURE INTOLERABLE TO HUMAN INTRUSION.

HOWEVER, PERHAPS THERE IS STILL ENOUGH OF THEIR PERSONAL INFORMATION MATERIAL REMAINING IN DANZO'S RIGHT EYE AND THE SIX PAINS' WEAPONS, RESPECTIVELY...

SUCH AN IDEAL JUTSU...

IT MUST HAVE SOME RISKS...

...WELL, NEVER MIND THEN...

I SUPPOSE I HAVE ENOUGH PAWNS FOR NOW...

DON'T PUSH YOUR LUCK...

HEH HEH HEH...

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BLIP

BLIP

BLIP

CONTACT KITSUCHI, STAT!!

SPLIT APART THE GROUND WITH DOTON!

A GREAT ARMY IS MARCHING HERE UNDER-GROUND!

WE WOULD HAVE COMPLETELY MISSED THIS WITHOUT ABURAME MUTA'S INTEL...

INTEL UNIT, RELAY THE FOLLOWING TO KITSUCHI, NOW.

THEY'RE PLANNING TO PASS RIGHT UNDER OUR TROOPS' FEET! ARE THEY TRYING TO TAKE THE ALLIED FORCES FROM THE REAR?

WE NEED TO EXPAND SENSING RANGES DEEPER DOWN!

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INCOMING!

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情報部隊 第1分隊

INTEL UNIT, SQUAD ONE

ABOUT TIME!

INTEL!

情報部隊 第2分隊

INTEL UNIT, SQUAD TWO

GOT IT...

NOW WE'RE TALKING!!!

APPROXIMATELY 20 THOUSAND OF THE ENEMY, UNDERGROUND, AT COORDINATES 25 BY 30.

MAIN BATTLE REGIMENT, SECOND COMPANY COMPTAIN:

KITSUCHI

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OKAY!!!

I'M GOING TO KEEP THEM COMING!!

ZAJI, THE BEACON!!

IT'S THE COMMANDO UNIT... LET'S GO!

MM!

A RED FLARE...

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ARE YOU ALL RIGHT, MASTER ZABUZA?

LOOKS LIKE YOU WASTED A JUTSU, HAKU.

ZWW!!

THIS EDOTENSEI... I GUESS WE CAN'T DIE SINCE WE'RE DEAD ALREADY.

...I REALLY DON'T CARE FOR THIS JUTSU...

THE MOST BRILLIANT ASPECT OF THE EDOTENSEI...

...IS THAT THERE IS ABSOLUTELY NO RISK TO THE CASTER!

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# THE MAIN REGIMENT IN BATTLE!!

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THERE IS NO RISK?

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EXCEPT FOR ONE POSSIBILITY.

IT'S TRUE. EDOTENSEI JUTSU HAS NO RISKS.

EVERY ACTION IS FOLLOWED BY REACTION.

YOU NEED TO STAY FOCUSED.

DON'T GET AHEAD OF YOURSELF!

I THINK THE ONLY RISK PERTAINING TO THIS JUTSU NOW IS THAT I'VE TOLD YOU ABOUT IT.

THANK YOU FOR THE WARN-ING.

WHOEVER WIELDS IT BECOMES FAMOUS FAR AND WIDE.

IT IS A POWERFUL JUTSU.

BUT I DON'T NEED THAT FAME. I DON'T WANT TO BECOME A TARGET.

I WILL EVENTUALLY BE MORE KNOWN THAN EVEN UCHIHA MADARA.

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YOU HAVEN'T TOLD ME HOW TO STOP EDOTENSEI!

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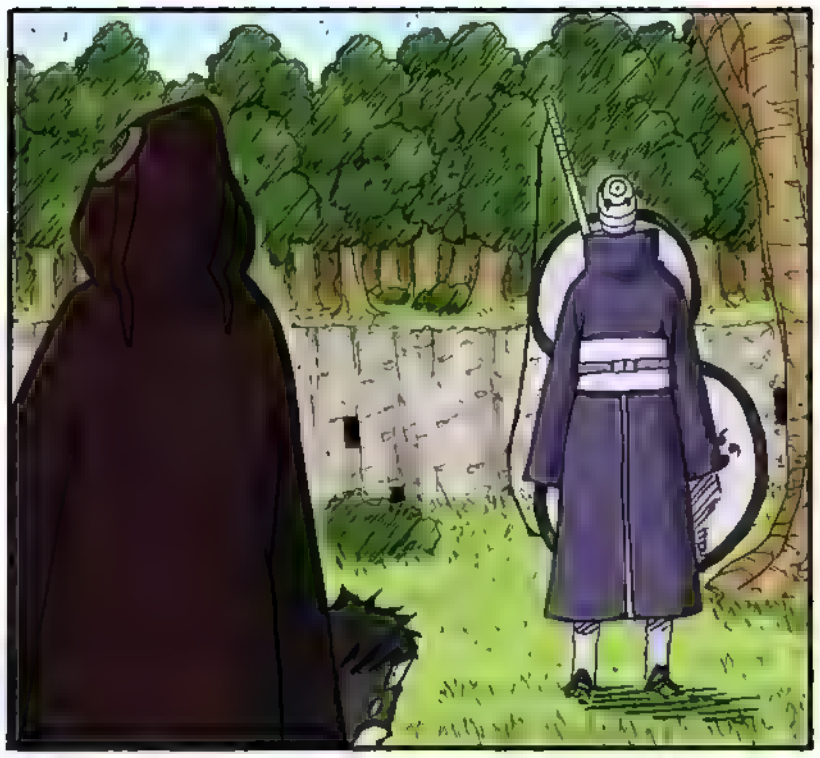
I'M LEAVING.

TIME TO FIND A HIDING PLACE FIT FOR ONE OF MY INTELLI-GENCE LEVEL.



YOU CAN USE SHARINGAN, PERHAPS.

YOUR OTHER CHOICE IS TO SEAL AWAY THE REVIVED SOULS.

YOU CAN STOP IT BY MANIPULAT-ING THE CONTROLLER OF THE EDOTENSEI...

...INTO WEAVING THE SIGNS *DOG*, *HORSE* AND *TIGER* AND THEN UTTERING **RELEASE**!

EVEN IF YOU DIE, THE EDOTENSEI YOU CREATE REMAINS.

OH! I ALMOST FORGOT.

IT'S SIMPLE.

SO HOW DOES ONE STOP IT?

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NOW I TOLD YOU WHAT TO DO. I MUST GO.

I'M NOT BRAVE ENOUGH TO LIE TO YOU.

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YOU'D BETTER NOT BE LYING!

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SO AS LONG AS I HAVE THE EDOTENSEI AND THAT OTHER JUTSU, I'M INVINCIBLE...

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I SWEAR ONE DAY I'LL CRACK THE TRUTH ABOUT THE SAGE OF SIX PATHS!!

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解かしてみせる!!

IN THAT CASE, BLACK ZETSU, YOU OUGHT TO GET STARTED ON OUR OTHER PROGRAM.

OF COURSE.

YOU DID STICK A WHITE ZETSU SPORE ON HIM?

ALL RIGHT.

ZWW

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COME BE REINFORCE-MENTS.

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CAPTAIN MIFUNÉ!

THE JUTSU HAS BEEN REFINED SINCE THE TIME OF THE SECOND HOKAGE, TOBIRAMA.

WHAT AN IMPRESSIVE NINJA TO HAVE BOUND SO MANY SOULS AT ONCE.

THE EDO-TENSEI.

THE SENSORY UNIT MEMBERS ON THE GROUND CAN'T DETECT THEM.

THAT CAN ONLY MEAN THEY MUST NOT BE HUMAN.

WE'VE JUST RECEIVED WORD FROM HQ! THE ENEMY APPEARS TO BE MARCHING RIGHT PAST US UNDERFOOT, DEEP UNDER-GROUND!

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黄牙第2部隊
ダルイ第1部隊
ミフネ第5部隊
我愛羅第4部隊
カンクロウ奇襲部隊
はたけカカシ第 隊
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...FROM OUR FIFTH COMPANY CLOSEST TO KITSUCHI'S SECOND COMPANY AND SEND THEM OVER AS REINFORCEMENTS!!

QUICKLY!!

ALL RIGHT! CONSIDERING OUR ELONGATED DEPLOYMENT FORMATION, TAKE A FEW OF THE PLATOONS...

BUT THAT OCCURS ONLY DURING WINTER, WHEN THEY ARE RAISING YOUNG.

THAT SPECIES OF GIANT BIRD ACTUALLY DOES FLY IN PAIRS...

...TO ENGAGE IN COOP-ERATIVE HUNTING.

GOOD CATCH, HAKU.

PLEASE LEAVE THEM TO ME.

OUR ATTACKERS ARE THERE.

PLUS, THERE IS ALSO THAT BEACON THAT LOOKS LIKE A CLOUD.

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THEY TOLD US TO RENDEZ-VOUS WITH YOU! SO, IS THE ENEMY NEARBY?

KIBA! SHINO!

THAT WAS QUICK, KIBA!

YUP...

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EARTH STYLE! ERUPT!!

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ENGAGE!!
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FANG OVER FANG!!
牙通牙!!

SPINNING FANGS!!
牙転牙!!

八卦空壁!!
8 TRIGRAMS AIR PALM WALL!!

BETLE SPHERE!!
蟲玉!!

SMASH !!

雲流表斬り!!
CLOUD STYLE! FRONT SLICE!

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COLD AIR? ペ…？

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SNOW?

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SECRET JUTSU! ICE CRYSTAL MAGIC MIRROR TECHNIQUE!!

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UGH!!

WOAH!

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H-HEYA! THAT'S...

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OWW...

OW!

UGH!

UNH!

EXCEPT ME.

TH-THEY'RE ALL KEKKEI GENKAI SHINOBI!!

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WHAT THE... THEY'RE ALL KIDS.

PAKURA OF SAND AND GARI OF STONES!!

OUR BODIES ARE IMMORTAL, WHICH MEANS A MUTUAL STRIKE IS SUFFICIENT.

HERE THEY COME!!

WE'RE NOT IN CONTROL OF OUR ACTIONS.

IT'S NOTHING PERSONAL TOWARDS YOU ALL...

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MISTER KAKASHI ?

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THAT DAY ON THE BRIDGE, YOU WERE SUPPOSED TO FINISH ME OFF AND SEND ME TO HELL.

I KNEW I WOULD HAVE TO FIGHT, BUT I NEVER IMAGINED IT WOULD BE AGAINST YOU, KAKASHI.

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DON'T KICK UP YOUR HEELS YET.

THESE ARE ALL BOTHER-SOME SHINOBI.

THANK YOU, MASTER KAKASHI!

ZABUZA. HAKU.

YOU SHOULDN'T BE HERE.

THIS IS THE WORLD OF THE LIVING.

SO THIS IS NEITHER HELL NOR HEAVEN.

BUT WHEN I CAME TO, I WAS WITH HAKU.

I THOUGHT IT ODD THEN.

WAIT FOR CAPTAIN KAKASHI'S SIGNAL.

WHAT? THEY KNOW EACH OTHER?

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忍 TO BECOME TOP, DOG IN MY HOME-TOWN... じ 一番(ばん)の ゐため!

ALL THE PEOPLE WHO USED TO TREAT ME LIKE DIRT, WILL HAVE TO SAY; "HE'S THE NUMBER ONE NINJA"!

HO! YOU'VE GROWN UP, KAKASHI'S LITTLE KUNOICHI.

AND IS THAT OTHER LAD STILL DOING WELL?

HUH?! UH... YES!

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HEH...

HE DEFEATED US. HE MUST BE FAMOUS.

YEAH, THEY NAMED THAT BRIDGE AFTER HIM. THE GREAT NARUTO BRIDGE!

TO EVERYONE IN THAT VILLAGE HE'S A HERO.

...NOW HE SHALL GET EVEN STRONGER.

WELL THEN...

HE'S NOW QUITE THE SPLENDID SHINOBI.

THANKS TO THE TWO OF YOU, NARUTO WAS ABLE TO DISCOVER HIS SHINOBI WAY.

HE PLEDGED TO FOLLOW IT AT YOUR GRAVE.

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UNH

HERE WE GO!!

みんなから I CAN FEEL POWER FLOWING INTO ME! くる！

WE NEED TO GET TO WORK.

REMINISCE ENOUGH?

...US!

KAKASHI... YOU MUST STOP...

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YEAH! NO MISTAKE!

I-ISN'T THAT...?!

*TAK *TAK *TAK *TAK *TAK

WAH!

*TAK

THAT'S THE DEMON MOMOCHI ZABUZA!!

AND THE ACCURSED SNOW CLAN CHILD WITH THE ICE STYLE!

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UGH!

HEAD... BURNS!

GAH!

UGH.

MY MIND... FOGGY.

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DON'T LET YOUR GAURD DOWN, GUY! HE IS UNPARALLELED AT SILENT KILLING!

PREPARE YOUR-SELVES!

THAT AURA! THE DEMON ZABUZA!

ANOTHER ICE STYLE NINJA!

THE FACT THAT MASTER ZABUZA TOO IS HERE UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF THIS JUTSU...

MEANS I FAILED TO PROTECT HIM FROM YOU THAT DAY...

YOU MUST STOP US AGAIN!

MISTER KAKASHI, I BEG OF YOU!

...AN INSTRUMENT OF MASTER ZABUZA!

MY DREAM WAS TO DIE...

HE DIED FROM A DIFFERENT CAUSE.

PLUS...

NO... YOU DID INDEED PROTECT ZABUZA.

I CANNOT EVEN DO HIS BIDDING!

AND NOW NOT ONLY CAN I NOT PROTECT MASTER ZABUZA...

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ZABUZA NEVER THOUGHT YOU WERE MERELY A TOOL TO USE FOR HIS DESTRUCTIVE WHIMS.

KAKASHI... SHUT YOUR MOUTH...

...

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IS THAT HOW YOU GET WHEN YOUR POWERS ARE AS STRONG AS YOURS ARE?!!

ARE YOU REALLY THAT HEARTLESS?!!

...

NARUTO CARVED UP THE DEPTHS OF ZABUZA'S HEART...

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...ANOTHER WORD...

KID...

NOT...

HE GAVE HIS LIFE FOR YOU!!

HE DIED WITHOUT ANY OF HIS DREAMS EVER COMING TRUE. TO DIE AS A TOOL, THATS TOO MUCH, TOO CRUEL.

...

HEH HEH... BUT NEVER FEAR, I'LL MAKE YOU INTO MERE KILLER PUPPETS IN NO TIME! FOR YOU ARE *MY* TOOLS!

ZABUZA AND HAKU, EH... THEY'RE EXCEPTIO-NALLY STURBORN.

I CAN'T BELIEVE THEY'RE STILL NOT COMPLETELY BOUND.

THAT DAY WAS MY FIRST DEFEAT EVER...

AND I'VE LOST EVERYTHING.

HEH...

IN THE END, WE SHINOBI ARE STILL JUST PEOPLE AFTER ALL WITH FEELINGS ALL TOO HUMAN.

REMEMBER... I AM ALREADY DEAD!

USE WHATEVER MEANS NECESSARY TO STOP ME!

KAKASHI... DON'T HOLD BACK!

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AND I DIED HUMAN!

I KNOW.

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CAPTAIN KAKASHI, THAT IWAGAKURE NINJA...
HERE THEY COME!
IWAKAGURE: HIDDEN STONE VILLAGE
THANK YOU... MASTER ZABUZA...
SUNAGAKURE: HIDDEN SAND VILLAGE
...IS A MASTER OF EXPLOSION STYLE KEKKEI GENKAI!
HIS NAME IS GARI! HE'S LIKE DEIDARA, A FORMER DEMOLITIONS UNIT MEMBER!
AND THAT WOMAN IS PAKURA, A SUNAGAKURE SCORCH STYLE KEKKEI GENKAI MASTER!
PLEASE BE WARY!
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ALL KEKKEI GENKAI USERS, HUH?

FWOO...

SWOOO...

NINPO KIRI-GAKURE JUTSU

THE OTHER MEMBERS COVER 12, 3, 6, AND 9 O'CLOCK POSITIONS, IN STANDARD MANJI FORMATION!

ASSEMBLE BATTLE GROUPS WITH SENSORY TYPE NINJA AT THE CENTER!

ZABUZA CAN PINPOINT ANY TARGET'S LOCATION BASED ON SOUND ALONE!

SO WATCH YOUR BACK TOO!

LAST TIME, HE ATTACKED US FROM THE ONE BLIND SPOT IN THIS FORMATION, THE CENTER!

I SHALL PROTECT YOU EVEN IF I MUST DIE IN THE PROCESS!

DO NOT BE AFRAID, SAKURA!

THE MIST IS GETTING THICKER! VISIBILITY IS NEAR ZERO! IT MUST BE THE KIRIGAKURE JUTSU!

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*SWOOO

FIRST, MIST. NOW COLD AIR?

HUH?

OH... O-OKAY!

*JAB

GAH!

AARGH!!

I CAN BIND THEM SO MUCH MORE TIGHTLY NOW THAT I HAVE LORD OROCHIMARU'S CHAKRA.

THIS IS DIFFERENT.

IT'S BEGUN!!

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BUT THAT LEFT THE BINDING WEAK, ALLOWING SOME OF THEIR SOULS TO REBEL AGAINST ME, WHICH ALLOWED THEM TO FULLY ASCEND.

I HAD DELEBRAT-ELY LEFT EMOTION IN THEM IN ORDER TO PSYCHO-LOGICALLY SHAKE UP THE ENEMY.

FOR THE REST, I'LL JUST KEEP THE USUAL FOLLOW ORDERS BINDING IN PLACE AND LEAVE THEM TO THEIR OWN DEVICES.

I DON'T KNOW HOW MANY PAWNS I CAN AFFECT. AT LEAST THIS WAR WILL SHOW ME-MY-LIMITS.

THIS TIME, I WILL COM-PLETELY SUPPRESS THEIR EMOTION!

SINCE I THINK IT'LL BE TO MY ADVANTAGE TO LET SOME OF THEM RETAIN EMOTION.

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LET'S LOOK FOR SASUKE.

SHUP

CREAK

WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO ESCAPE RIGHT NOW.

FOR WHATEVER REASON, THERE ARE A LOT FEWER GUARDS AROUND.

MM...

YOU KNOW, IRRONICALLY, IT'S ALMOST TOO QUITE WITHOUT HER AROUND. DECISIONS, DECISIONS.

WANNA LOOK FOR HER?

WOW, YOU'RE GONNA HELP?

YOU REALLY ARE A GOOD SOLDIER, JUGO. UNLIKE KARIN.

WHERE IS SHE?

WELL, THEY CONFIS-CATED IT, DIDN'T THEY?

SO WE SHOULD LOOK FOR AN ARMORY FIRST. LET'S GO.

I FOUND THE KEYS TO THIS PLACE RIGHT AWAY, BUT I CAN'T FIND MY BLADE ANYWHERE.

GO ON AHEAD OF ME. I NEED TO FIND MY BLADE FIRST.

BLUH...

*FOO

*FLICKER

*FLICKER

HERE SHE COMES!!

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*OOM

HE'S MUMMI-FIED!!

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*THK

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I'M BURNING! AGH!

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*BLAM

EXPLOSION STYLE! LAND MINE FIST!!

AARGH!!

MON-STER!!

*TAK

NO! TAJIKI BLEW UP!

SPLAT

COLORED

*THW

*AK

KONOHA HURRICANE WHIRL-WINDS!!

!!

DON'T ALLOW THEIR DEATHS TO HAVE BEEN IN VAIN! GOT THAT, NEWBIE?!!

YOU'VE GOT TO PREPARE YOURSELF FOR THAT FACT!

COMRADES WILL DIE ON THE BATTLEFIELD!

IF YOU LOSE FOCUS, YOU'LL CAUSE EVEN MORE TO DIE!

MASTER GUY!

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I UNDER-STAND THE ENEMY'S STRATEGY AND PLAN!

NOW IT'S MY TURN!

UNH...

...CATCH THEIR BREATH!

CHAK

HEH HEH... I AM NOT SO NAIVE AS TO LET MY OPPONENT...

KUCHIYOSE SUMMON-ING!!

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TH-THOSE ARE...
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THIS IS UNBELIEV-ABLE.
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...PAST MEMBERS OF THE SEVEN NINJA SWORDSMEN OF THE MIST!!!
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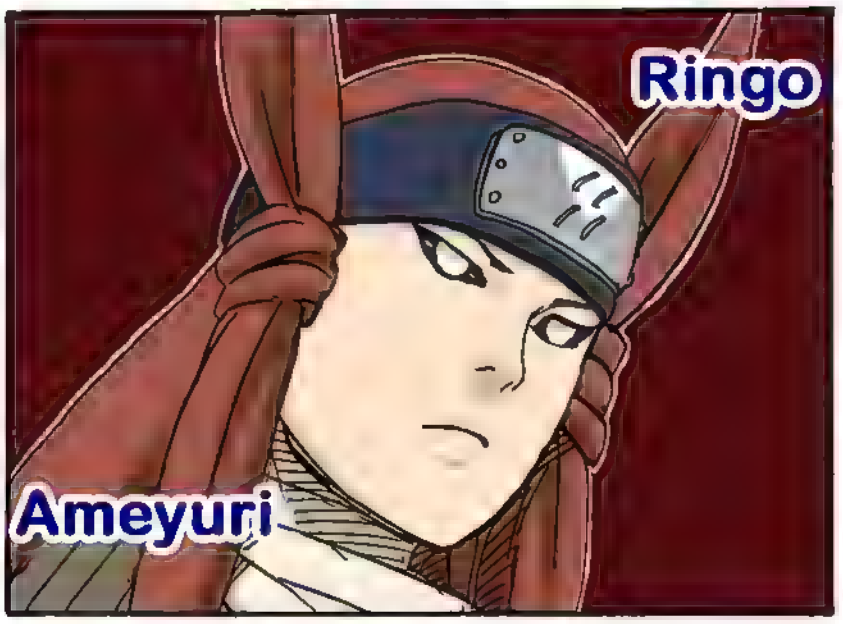
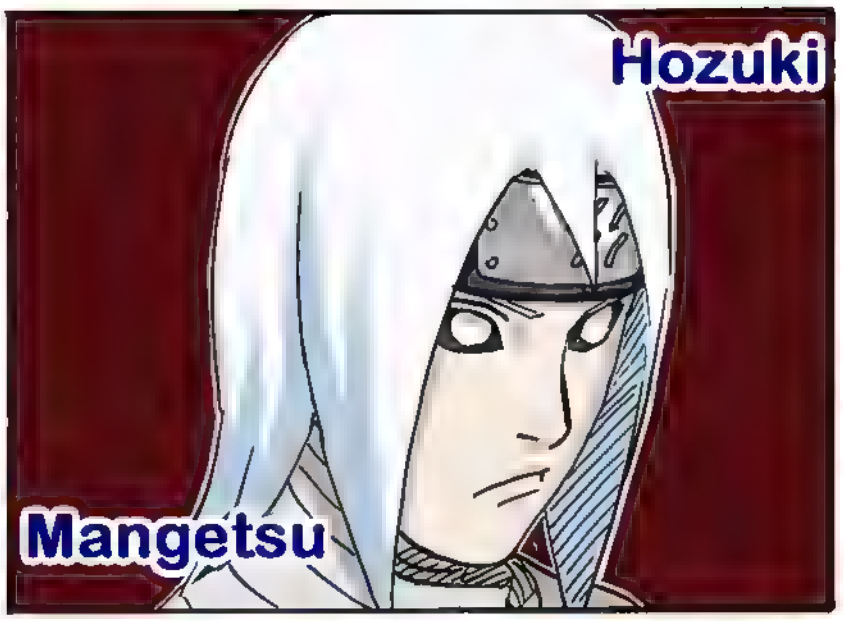
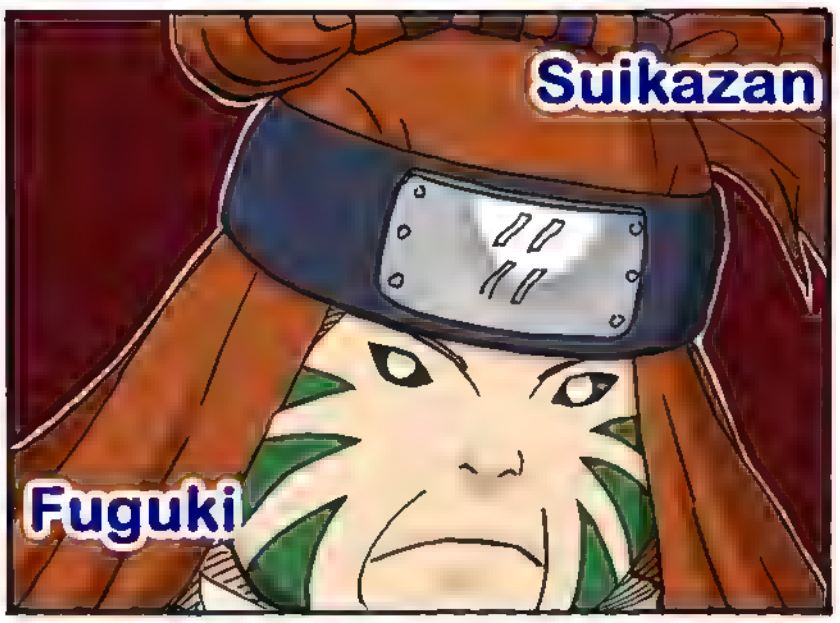
# THE LEGENDARY SEVEN SWORDSMEN OF THE MIST!!





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WHOOSH

THE SEVEN SWORDSMEN, EH?

I JUST NEED A BIT LONGER.

KONOHA-GAKURE SHINOBI, NARA CLAN MEMBERS

NOT YET, PLATOON ENSUI?

OUR ENEMY CHOSE WELL!!

THEY WERE THE FIERCEST SEVEN SWORDSMEN! EACH POWERFUL EVEN ALONE!

I'M READY, SIR!

WHAT ABOUT YOU, MAKI OF SUNAGAKURE?

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*TAK
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*TAK
*TAK
BUY ME SOME TIME!!
EVERYONE, ATTACK TOGETHER!!
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YOU SAID YOIU WANTED TO COLLECT THE LOST MIST BLADES.

WHY SO OBSESSED?

IT DOESN'T LOOK LIKE IT'S HERE, EITHER.

ヤバ

*THK

TCH.

...

BUT WHEN IT COMES TO THE BLADES, YOU'RE SINGLE-MINDED.

***YOU'RE*** THE ONE THAT GIVES UP.

YOU OFFERED HELP. ALREADY GIVING UP?

HEY!

RESUR-RECT?

I PLAN TO RESURRECT THE SEVEN NINJA SWORDSMEN AND BECOME THEIR LEADER.

I NEED A CHALLENGE TO STAY ENGAGED.

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SO, OFFICIALLY, THAT UNIT DOESN'T EVEN EXIST TODAY.

I'M ASSUMING KISAME STILL HAS THE GREAT BLADE SAMEHADA THE SHARKSKIN, BUT HE'S A ROGUE NINJA. AND THE EXECUTIONER'S BLADE THAT I'D FINALLY TRACKED DOWN IS GONE AGAIN.

THE NINJA BLADES BY TRADITION ARE HANDED DOWN FROM GENERATION TO GENERATION, BUT OTHER THAN HIRAMEKAREI THE FLAT-FISH, THE REST HAVE ALL GONE MISSING.

YEAH. RIGHT NOW, THE SEVEN NINJA SWORDSMEN OF THE MIST COSISTS OF A SINGLE BRAT NAMED CHOJURO.

*SHWOOOOOO

IT'S NO USE.

IT MAKES NO DIF-FERENCE HOW MANY TIMES WE ASSAUL THEM.

NOPE. LOOKS LIKE THEY BROUGHT THEIR BLADES, ALRIGHT.

OTHER THAN ZABUZA, NONE OF THEM HAVE THEIR WEAPONS. THEY'RE ALL AT HALF STRENGTH.

QUIT WORRYING SO MUCH!

THE EDO-TENSEI JUTSU CAN BE STOPPED EITHER BY SEALING AWAY THE SOUL OR IMMOBILIZING THE HOST BODY.

THE LONGER THIS DRAGS ON, THE GREATER OUR DISADVAN-TAGE!

WHAT'RE WE GONNA DO AGAINST THE SEVEN NINJA SWORDSMEN?

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*BOOO

WE CAN'T FIGHT IN THIS MIST. WE'LL END UP KILLING EACH OTHER.

THE MIST'S THICKER. VISIBILITY GONE.

THIS IS A SILENT KILL. DON'T TRUST YOUR EARS!

BUT THEY'RE NOT AT FULL POWER!

SWOOO...

*SHOOM

*FSH

*PLINK

パキ…

ENSUI, START BY FOLLOWING MY MOVES WITH A LOOSE SHADOW POSSESSION JUTSU.

GOOD!

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PNP

YES-SIR!

*SSOOO

PLIP

I'M READY TO LAUNCH SHADOW POSESSION AND SHADOW PARALYSIS JUTSU!!!

CAPTAIN KAKASHI!

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SANTA WITH KAKASHI INSIDE

ENSUI

ENSUI'S SHADOW POSSESSION

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SANTA, USE SENSORY PERCEPTION TO TRACK THE ENEMY. ENSUI WILL GET MY BODY WITHIN VISUAL RANGE USING SHADOW POSSESSION.

ZABUZA

KAKASHI WITH SANTA INSIDE

YAMANAKA SANTA, USE MIND TRANSFER JUTSU TO TRADE PLACES WITH ME.

YES-SIR

*BWWW

SANTA, ONCE YOU SEE ZABUZA, RELEASE THE MIND TRANSFER JUTSU TO RETURN MY BODY TO ME.

WHILE FIGHTING ZABUZA, I'LL STEP ON HIS SHADOW TO CONNECT IT TO MINE.

SANTA

ENSUI

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THK

KAKASHI

ZABUZA

PLIP

FIRST, WE TAKE ON ZABUZA!

MAKI, YOU HELP BIND WITH CLOTH PARALYSIS JUTSU!

FRRRRRL

SWISH!

MMPH

THEN, ENSUI, YOU'LL POWER UP SHADOW POSSESSION AND SHADOW STITCHING JUTSU TO BIND HIM!

URK

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MAKI

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MIND TRANSFER JUTSU!!

ROGER!

*TAK

LET'S DO IT!!

*SHUP

*SHUP

YEAH!!

GUARD MASTER KAKASHI!!

WITH THE SHARPEST CUTTING EDGE AND SWATTED IN LIGHTNING...

*BZZZZ

FIRST-

AND THERE'VE BEEN MASTERS OTHER THAN JUST KISAME, ZABUZA AND CHOJURO, WHO'VE WEILDED THEM.

SO THERE ARE OTHER BLADES TOO.

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...IS THE LIGHTNING BLADE, KIBA, THE FANG, AND ITS WEILDER, RINGO AMEYURI!

BZZZ

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*WHOOSH

NEXT, SMASHING THROUGH ALL DEFENCES...

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*AM

...IS THE BLUNT BLADE, KABUTOWARI, THE HELMET-SPLITTER, AND ITS WEILDER AKEBINO JININ!

UGH!!

ARGH!!

*THK *THK *THK *THD

*WOOSH

AND SEWING THEM TOGETHER ...

*WOOSH

SKOOSH

*CHAK

STABBING AND PIERCING ALL THINGS...

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...IS THE LONG SWORD, NUIBARI, THE SEWING NEEDLE, AND ITS WIELDER KURI'ARARE KUSHIMARU!

*TWANG

AAAARGH!!

ADDING THE POWER OF EXPLOSION TO SWORDS-MANSHIP...

*ZAM

!!

*KLAK

*KLANG

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*BOOF

THE EXPLOSIVE BLADE, SHIBUKI, THE SPATTER, AND IT'S WEILDER MUNASHI JINPACHI!

AARGH!

SUIKAZAN FUGUKI!

NEXT, JUST LIKE KISAME HOSHIKAGI, A PREVIOUS WEILDER OF THE GREAT BLADE SAMEHADA, THE SHARKSKIN...

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HOZUKI MANGETSU!

AND HE WHO COULD HANDLE ALL SEVEN BLADES, THE MAN WHO'D BEEN CALLED THE SECOND COMING OF THE DEMON, MY OLDER BROTHER...

BUT THE SWORD YOU WERE CARRYING AROUND IS BROKEN.

...

WHY DON'T YOU JUST GET A NEW ONE?

WELL, EVERYONE NEEDS TO KNOW.

THAT'S ENOUGH. YOU'RE TALKING TOO MUCH, TOO LOUDLY.

I'M GOING TO BE THE CAPTAIN OF THE NEW-GENERATION SEVEN NINJA SWORDSMEN!

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...THE IRON IN THE BLOOD HELPS IT REGENERATE!

AS IT SLICES UP PEOPLE AND ABSORBS THEIR BLOOD...

*FASH

THAT BLADE HAS A SPECIAL ABILITY.

YOU DON'T KNOW A THING.

IT CAN HEAL ITSELF.

THE SEVERING SWORD, THE EXECUTIONER'S BLADE, CANNOT BE CHIPPED OR NICKED.

NICE! I HAVEN'T BEEN NOTICED AND I'VE MADE THE FIRST MOVE! ALL RIGHT!

WE'RE COUNTING ON YOU, MASTER KAKASHI!!

MIND TRANSFER! RELEASE!!

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THE REST CAN JUST BE SHIELDS.
ZABUZA'S KIRIKAGURE JUTSU KEEPS THEM HIDDEN IN THE MIST. IT'S THE KEYSTONE TO THIS BATTLE OF NUMBERS.
HEH HEH. EVEN THOUGH HE'S JUST A PUPPET NOW. I BET IT'S TURNING OUT TO BE QUITE AN INTERESTING PRODUCTION ON THE BATTLEFIELD.
AND HAKU WHO PROTECTS ZABUZA AS IF HIS LIFE DEPENDS ON IT.
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*CHAK
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HE'S GOING TO COME RIGHT THROUGH THE KID TO GET TO ME.

CAPTAIN KAKASHI!!

*TOK

*WHOOSH

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BUT THERE'S BEEN TOO LITTLE CONTACT TIME WITH THE SECOND ONE'S SHADOW! I CAN'T FREEZE HIS MOVEMENTS!

I'VE CAPTURED THE SHADOW OF ONE OF THE ENEMY!

AARGH!

RUMBLE

BAM

CONTACT TIME?! YOU MEAN CAPTAIN KAKASHI GETTING SLASHED BY ZABUZA?! OF COURSE THAT'S TOO

DON'T WORRY, YOU'LL GET TO A-RANK EVENTUALLY, AFTER YOU LEARN MORE JUTSU AND GET STRONGER.

*WUMP

AWWW.

OH, NO, NO WAY!

I STILL CAN'T BELIVE WE ALL MADE IT THROUGH SAFE AND SOUND AGAINST SUCH POWERFUL ENEMIES AS ZABUZA AND HAKU!

I WANNA GO ON ANOTHER A-RANK MISSION!

*WHAM

HUH?

BUT THAT MEANS I GOTTA FIND MORE THINGS TO PROTECT!

FINE.

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WHEN PEOPLE ARE PROTECTING SOMETHING TRULY PRECIOUS TO THEM, THEY CAN TRULY BECOME STRONGER!

HAKU SAID.

ESPECIALLY AFTER WATCHING HAKU WITH ZABUZA. I THINK HE'S RIGHT.

YEAH.

...

YOU AGREE WITH HIM?

I SEE.

ABOUT WHAT?

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

HEY, HEY. YA KNOW, MASTER KAKASHI.

ZING

BLOP

ZWWWW

ZWW

*SHWOO

WAAH!

WAAH!

RRRRKK

BAM

I'M GLAD YOU WERE NARUTO'S FIRST ADVER-SARIES.

*GRRR

*FWP

*FWP

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*KLAK

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*FSH

YESSIR!

*SHOOP

MAKI, UNTIL I GIVE THE SIGNAL, STAY BEHIND ME. GET THE CLOTH PARALYSIS JUTSU READY TO GO!

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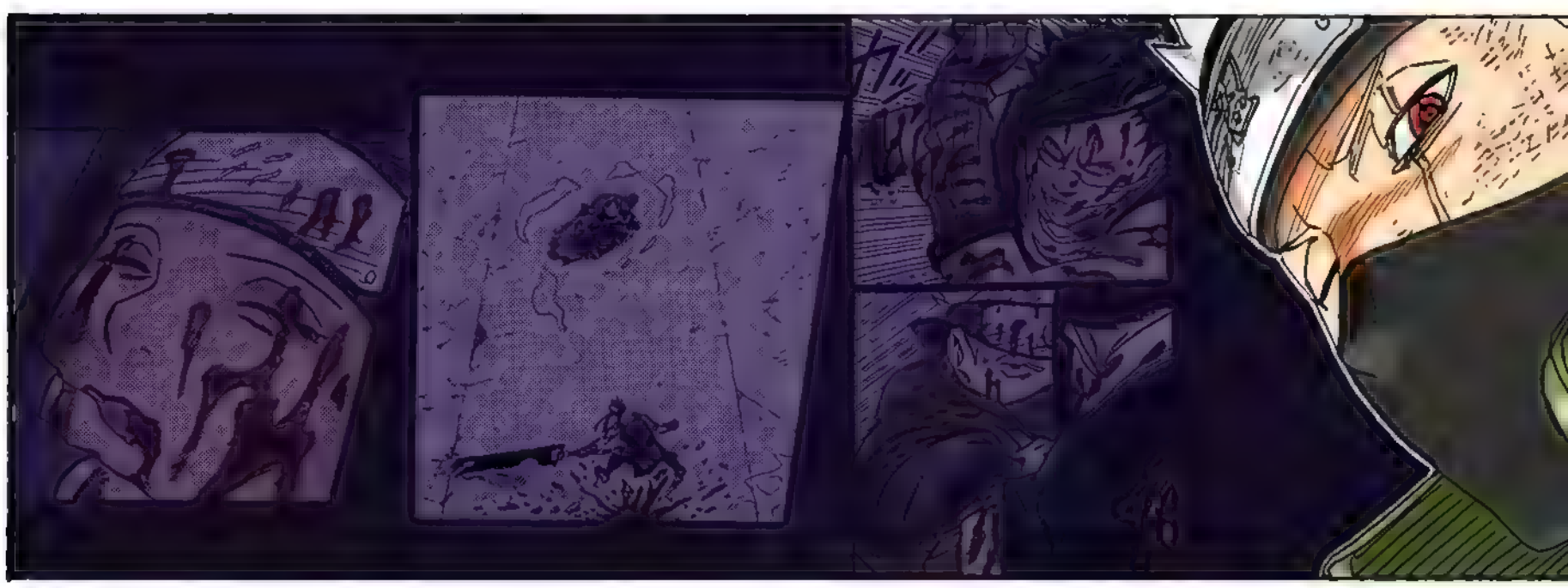
ZWWW



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ZABUZA. YOU HESITATED TO SLICE THROUGH HAKU THAT DAY.

YOU COULDN'T HIDE THE UNREST IN YOUR HEART OVER HAKU'S DEATH.

IT'S OVER. YOU JUST DON'T NOW IT YET.

WHAT?!

NOW THERE'S NO WAY YOU CAN BEAT ME.

*SHOO

*M

SO! LET'S JUST GET THIS SENSLESS FIGHT OVER WITH!

*BZZZZZ

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*BZZZZZZ

YOU'RE JUST AN EMOTION-LESS TOOL OF EVIL.

*SSSSS

BUT THINGS ARE DIFFERENT TODAY!

BLOP BLOP

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THEY WERE ENEMIES. BUT YA KNOW...

YOU SEE...

ABOUT WHAT?

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

HEY, HEY. YA KNOW, MASTER KAKASHI.

...!

IS THAT WEIRD?

I KINDA LIKED THEM.

*THK

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NAH. I FEEL THE SAME WAY.

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STOMP

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ALL RIGHT!

THAT'S MY SIGNAL!!

ENSUI! BIND HIM!!

WAAH!

BANG

WAAH!

KLANG

*GUUNG

HAH!!

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*HNG

YOUR MANNERS OF DEATH AND YOUR TEARS...

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THEY DEMON-STRATED YOUR BOND TO EACH OTHER.

GAH.

...!

AS A SHINOBI, I'VE GOT PLENTY TO PROTECT TOO.

ESPECIALLY SINCE I WAS... AND AM AGAIN THEIR FINAL ENEMY. WHAT DO YOU THINK, NARUTO?

I NEED TO PROTECT THE MANNER OF DEATH FOR ZABUZA AND HAKU!

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DRIBBLE

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DRIP

DRIP

DRIBBLE

BACK

DRIBBLE

DO IT, MAKI.

YES-SIR!!

WAP

BOOM

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•SWOOOOOOO

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THE MIST IS LIFTING...

LOOK!!

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BUT I'M AT MY BOILING POINT.
IT TAKES A LOT FOR ME TO LOSE MY TEMPER TOO.
I AM KAKASHI THE MIRROR NINJA! I'VE COPIED 1,000 JUTSU! WATCH ME LIVE UP TO MY NICKNAME!
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*BOOP

GENTLE FIST TECH-NIQUE! BODY BLOW!!!

*M

*THWAK

*TOK

HUF

HUF

*THUD

*BAM *BAM *BAM *BAM *BAM *BAM

SEVERAL THOUSAND SOLDIERS HAVE APPARENTLY GOTTEN PAST US!

CAPTAIN KITSUCHI! A MESSAGE FROM HQ!

*TMP

IT'S ATTRI-TION WAR-FARE.

THEY'RE TOO STRONG!

FWHP

QUIT WHINING AND JUST MOVE!

THERE'S NO END TO THEM!

*SHUP

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WAAH!

DA!

QUIET!! I KNOW!

*SWOO

*SWOO

ZQUISH

*SHUP

*SHUP

I COMMEND YOU, WHOEVER YOU ARE, FOR DETECTING SECOND TSUCHIKAGE MU'S PRESENCE.

SENSING BY SAND. WORKS VIA DIRECT CONTACT, EH.

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HERE THEY COME.

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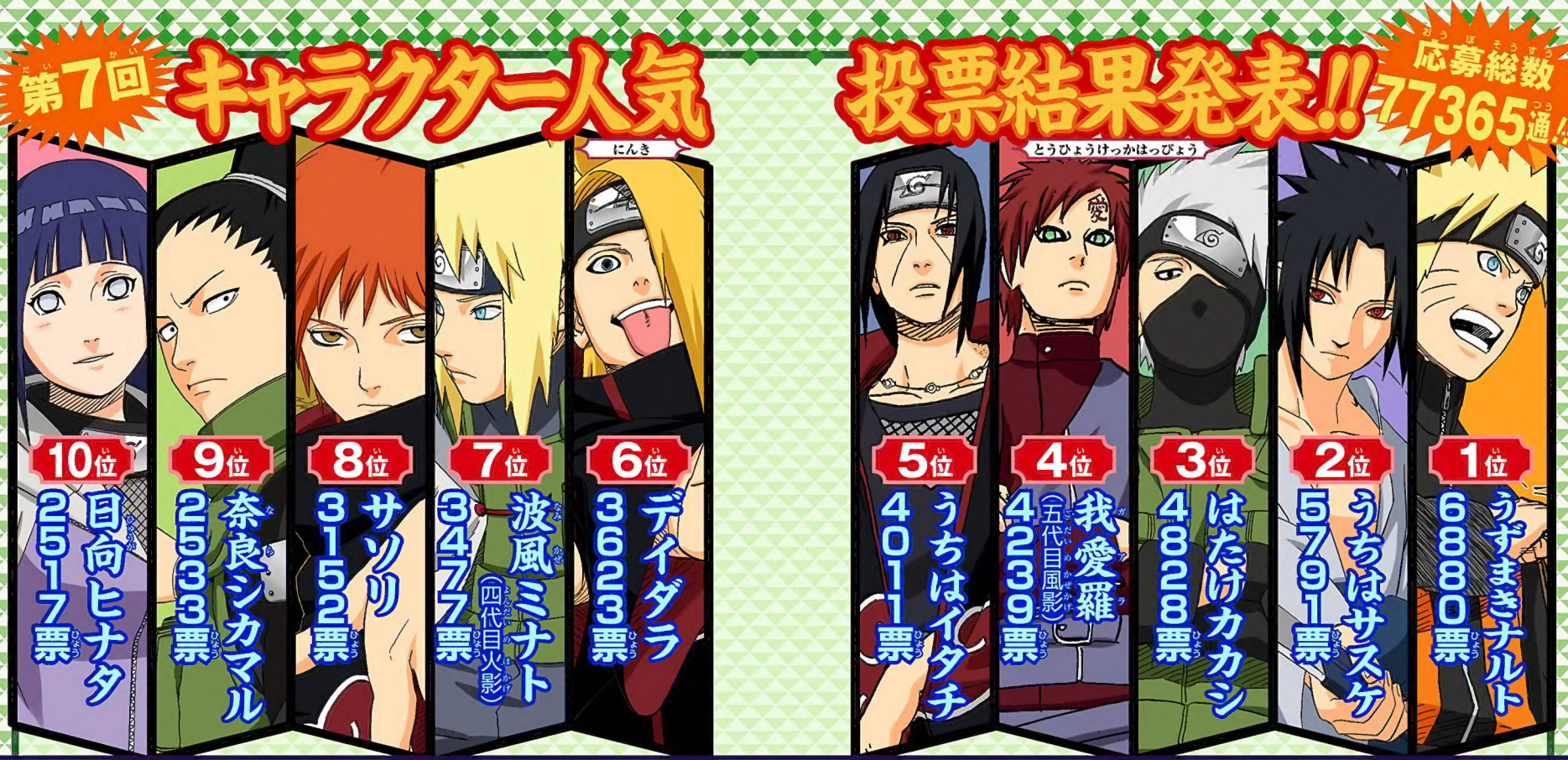


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